



Tech on trial: House mulls antitrust help for news industry

By MARCY GORDON

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WASHINGTON (AP) —

Members of both parties on Tuesday suggested legislation may be necessary for the financially-struggling U.S. news industry as lawmakers began a bipartisan investigation into the market dominance of Silicon Valley companies.

At a hearing of the House Judiciary Committee's antitrust panel, news media associations accused the tech companies of jeopardizing the industry's economic survival by putting news content on their platforms without fairly compensating them.

"This is the first significant antitrust investigation undertaken by Congress in decades," Rep. David Cicilline, D-R.I., the subcommittee's chairman, said at the start of the hearing. The investigation is long overdue, he said, and Congress must determine whether the antitrust laws "are equipped for the competition problems of our modern economy."

Cicilline noted the steep layoffs in the news industry in recent years, saying



Kevin Riley, editor of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, right, talks with David Pitofsky, General Counsel of News Corp, during their appearance before the House Judiciary Antitrust subcommittee hearing on 'Online Platforms and Market Power', on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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the dominant position of the online platforms in the advertising market has cre-

ated "an economic catastrophe for news publishers, forcing them to cut back on their investments in

quality journalism." At the same time, he said, tech platforms that are gateways to news online "have

operated with virtual immunity from the antitrust laws."

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As a partial solution, Cicilline proposed legislation to establish an antitrust exemption that would allow news companies to band together to negotiate revenue rates with big tech platforms. He called it "a life support measure, not the remedy for long-term health" of the news business.

The senior Republican on the full committee, Rep. Doug Collins of Georgia, said he backs Cicilline's proposal. Addressing the broader question of antitrust, however, he said, "Big is not necessarily bad," adding that lawmakers need to proceed cautiously.

The head of an association that represents technology and telecom companies said the government scrutiny of successful companies is appropriate. However, an antitrust exemption for the news industry wouldn't solve the problem, said Matt Schruer, vice president of the Computer and Communications Industry Association.



Sally Hubbard, director of enforcement strategy at the Open Markets Institute, and Matt Schruers, vice president of Law and policy with the Computer and Communications Industry Association, are sworn-in to testify before the House Judiciary Antitrust subcommittee hearing on 'Online Platforms and Market Power', on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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Before the internet, "news publishers received an exemption to deal with previous competitors like radio and TV news (and they) have not worked," Schruer said. "The results were fewer choices for readers and

less competition among news outlets."

But David Chavern, president of the News Media Alliance representing some 2,000 news organizations of all sizes and types, called an antitrust exemption "the lightest-touch option on the table."

"There's a real urgency in the industry. We're at crisis point now," Chavern said. Stepping ahead of the criticism, Google's vice president of news Richard Gringas said the company has "worked for many years to be a collaborative and supportive technology and advertising partner to the news industry."

"Every month, Google News and Google Search drive over 10 billion clicks to publishers' websites, which drive subscriptions and significant ad revenue," he said in a statement Tuesday.

In a Capitol steeped in partisanship, inflamed by special counsel Robert Mueller's report and Democrats' intensifying probes of President Donald Trump, Congress' new investigation of tech market power stands out. Not only is it bipartisan, but it's also the first such review by Congress of a sector that for more than a de-

cade has enjoyed haloed status and a light touch from federal regulators.

With regulators at the Justice Department and Federal Trade Commission apparently pursuing antitrust investigations of Facebook, Google, Apple and Amazon, and several state attorneys general exploring bipartisan action of their own, the tech industry finds itself in a precarious moment — with the dreaded M-word increasingly used to describe their way of doing business. Cicilline has flatly called them monopolies.

The Justice Department's antitrust chief suggested in a speech Tuesday that he may take a broad view of harm to competition, and take into account quality factors such as the threat to privacy, not only whether a company's dominant market position results in higher prices.

"Price effects alone do not provide a complete picture of market dynamics, especially in digital markets in which the profit-maximizing price is zero," Assistant Attorney General Makan Delrahim said, according to a transcript of his speech in Tel Aviv, Israel, provided by the department.

Politicians on the left and right have differing gripes about the tech giants. Some complain of aggressive conduct that squashes competition. Others perceive a political bias or tolerance of extremist content. Still others are upset by the industry's harvesting of personal data.

Several Democratic presidential candidates think they have the solution: breaking up the companies on antitrust grounds. Cicilline has called that "a last resort," but the idea has currency with both major political parties, including at the White House.

Trump noted the huge fines imposed by European regulators on the biggest tech companies.

"We are going to be looking at them differently," he said in an interview Monday on CNBC.

"We should be doing what (the Europeans) are doing," Trump said.

"Obviously, there is something going on in terms of monopoly."

The tech giants have mostly declined to comment on the antitrust investigations. Google has said that scrutiny from lawmakers and regulators "often improves our products and the policies that govern them," and that in some areas, such as data protection, laws need to be updated.

Facebook executives have been calling broadly for regulation while explicitly rejecting the idea of breaking up "a successful American company." CEO Mark Zuckerberg has called for new rules in four areas: harmful content, election integrity, privacy and data portability.

When Democratic presidential contender Sen. Elizabeth Warren tweeted in April that tech giants like Amazon should be broken up, Amazon tweeted back, "Walmart is much larger."

And Apple has countered a legal challenge to its management of the App Store by saying it "will prevail when the facts are presented and the App Store is not a monopoly by any metric." □

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Jury can't decide on charges against Arizona border activist



Scott Warren, center, speaks outside federal court, Tuesday, June 11, 2019, in Tucson, Ariz., after a mistrial was declared in the federal case against him.

By **ASTRID GALVAN**
Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — A U.S. jury could not reach a verdict Tuesday against a border activist charged with conspiracy to transport and harbor migrants in a trial that humanitarian aid groups said would have wide implications on their work. Defense attorneys argued that Scott Daniel Warren, a 36-year-old college geography instructor, was simply being kind by providing two migrants with water, food and lodging when he was arrested in early 2018. He faced up to 20 years in prison. But prosecutors maintained the men were not in distress and Warren conspired to transport and harbor them at a property used for providing aid to migrants in an Arizona town near the U.S.-Mexico border. The case played out as humanitarian groups say they are coming under increasing scrutiny under President Donald Trump's hardline immigration policies.

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Outside the courthouse, Warren thanked his supporters and criticized the government's efforts to crack down on the number of immigrants coming to the U.S. "Today it remains as necessary as ever for local residents and humanitarian aid volunteers to stand in solidarity with migrants and refugees, and we must also stand for our families, friends and neighbors in the very land itself most threatened by the militarization of our borderland communities," Warren said. Glenn McCormick, a spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office in Arizona, declined to comment on whether Warren will face another trial. The judge set a July 2 status hearing for the defense and prosecution. Warren is one of nine members of the humanitarian aid group No More Deaths who have been charged with crimes related to their work. But he is the only one to face felony charges. In West Texas, a county at-

torney was detained earlier this year after stopping her car on a dark highway to pick up three young migrants who flagged her down. Teresa Todd was held briefly, and federal agents

searched her cellphone. Border activists say they worry about what they see as the gradual criminalization of humanitarian action. Warren has said his case could set a dangerous

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Jon Stewart lashes out at Congress over 9/11 victims fund

By **MATTHEW DALY**
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Comedian Jon Stewart scolded Congress Tuesday for failing to ensure that a victims' compensation fund set up after the 9/11 attacks never runs out of money. Stewart, a longtime advocate for 9/11 responders, angrily called out lawmakers for failing to attend a hearing on a bill to ensure the fund can pay benefits for the next 70 years. Pointing to rows of empty seats at a House Judiciary Committee hearing room, Stewart said "sick and dying" first responders and their families came to Washington for the hearing, only to face a nearly deserted dais. The sparse attendance by lawmakers was "an embarrassment to the country and a stain on this institution," Stewart said, adding that the "disrespect" shown to first responders now suffering from respiratory ailments and other illnesses "is utterly unacceptable." Lawmakers from both parties said they support the bill and were monitoring the hearing amid other



Entertainer and activist Jon Stewart lends his support to firefighters, first responders and survivors of the September 11 terror attacks at a hearing by the House Judiciary Committee as it considers permanent authorization of the Victim Compensation Fund, on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

congressional business. Rep. Mike Johnson, R-La., predicted the bill will pass with overwhelming support and said lawmakers meant no disrespect as they moved in and out of the subcommittee hearing, a common occurrence on Capitol Hill.

Stewart was unconvinced.

Pointing to rows of uniformed firefighters and police officers behind him, he said the hearing "should be flipped," so that first responders were on the dais, with members of Congress "down here" in witness chairs answering their questions. First and foremost, Stewart said, families

want to know, "Why this is so damn hard and takes so damn long?"

The collapse of the World Trade Center in September 2001 sent a cloud of thick dust billowing over Lower Manhattan. Fires burned for weeks. Thousands of construction workers, police officers, firefighters and others

spent time working in the soot, often without proper respiratory protection. In the years since, many have seen their health decline, some with respiratory or digestive-system ailments that appeared almost immediately, others with illnesses that developed as they aged, including cancer.

More than 40,000 people have applied to the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund, which covers illnesses potentially related to being at the World Trade Center site, the Pentagon or Shanksville, Pennsylvania, after the attacks. More than \$5 billion in benefits have been awarded out of the \$7.4 billion fund, with about 21,000 claims pending.

Stewart and other speakers lamented the fact that nearly 18 years after the attacks, first responders and their families still have no assurance the fund will not run out of money. The Justice Department said in February that the fund is being depleted and that benefit payments are being cut by up to 70 percent. □

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U.S. troops, civilian defense workers get political reminder

By **LOLITA C. BALDOR**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Acting Pentagon chief Patrick Shanahan told troops and civilian workers Tuesday to avoid political displays while on the job, a reminder that comes after the White House told the Navy to keep the USS John S. McCain out of sight to avoid offending President Donald Trump during a visit to Japan. In separate memos to civilian and military leaders, Shanahan said their mission to protect and defend the

nation should be apolitical. "Those of us privileged to serve our Nation, in and out of uniform, in the DoD must be the epitome of American values and ethics," Shanahan said.

He told military commanders to remind those in uniform that they must avoid actions that imply Pentagon approval of political candidates or causes. In a memo to the civilian workforce he said personnel may take part in limited political activities, but "they may never engage in such activity while on-duty or in

a Federal building."

Both Shanahan and Trump have distanced themselves from the ship incident, in which an unknown official in the White House military office directed the Navy to keep the McCain out of sight, presumably to avoid reminding the president of the late Sen. John McCain. The warship was named for McCain's father and grandfather and was posthumously rededicated in the name of the senator and former prisoner of war. The president blamed the order on "well-meaning"

staff aware of his dislike of McCain.

Asked about the memos Tuesday, Shanahan said: "What I wanted to do is, after the McCain situation, remind everyone that we're not going to politicize the military. So it's just a good healthy reminder."

Last week, Shanahan ordered his chief of staff deliver a similar message to the White House military office, reaffirming his mandate that the Defense Department must not be politicized.

Shanahan has asked his

chief of staff to look into the ship incident and find out what happened, but he also said he is not planning to seek an investigation by the Pentagon's internal watchdog.

Shanahan said he was told that, despite the White House request, the Navy did not move the ship and that a barge that was in front of it was moved before Trump arrived. He said a tarp that had been draped over the ship's name was removed, but it was put there for maintenance, not to obscure its identity. □

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New Jersey mandates panic buttons for hotel room cleaners

By **WAYNE PARRY**
Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) —

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy signed a bill Tuesday that he and others said is the nation's first requiring most hotels to provide their workers with wearable panic buttons they can press to summon help quickly in an emergency.

The Democratic governor and several nationwide unions said New Jersey is the first state to mandate the devices, although similar measures are under consideration in Illinois, Florida and Washington state. And some hotel chains including Marriot and Hilton have announced plans to provide the devices to their workers without being forced to by government.

"I am proud to sign panic button legislation to give hotel workers security and the ability to immediately call for help should they need it," Murphy said as he signed the bill, surrounded by one housekeeper from each of the nine Atlantic City casinos.

The law takes effect in January and applies to hotels with 100 or more rooms.

In 2018, a 51-year-old room cleaner at Bally's casino was pushed into a room by a man who then sexually assaulted her.

"The housekeepers were enraged after that," said Ben Albert, an official with Local 54 of the Unite-Here union.



In this Jan. 29, 2019 file photo, New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy speaks during a news conference with Senate President Stephen Sweeney and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin in South Amboy. Associated Press

Several housekeepers interviewed after the signing said they have had instances in which they felt unsafe on the job.

"If you think something is wrong, you can push this and help will come," said Daksha Parikh, a housekeeper at the Tropicana casino. "It's a layer of protection for us. Sometimes

it's a long floor of rooms and you may be the only one working there."

"Sometimes they don't have any clothes on when you knock on the door and say, 'Housekeeping,' or they're playing dirty videos on their laptop," she said.

Iris Sanchez, a housekeeper at Caesars, said she opened the door to a

room one day only to have two dogs come charging out at her. She's relieved she will be able to summon help at the touch of a button. The devices would automatically contact building security.

"Today the lawmakers in New Jersey stood up with my co-workers and I to say no more to guests exposing themselves to us, soliciting us for sex, and allowing us to be unsafe as we open the door to a guest room, with no idea what is waiting for us behind it," she said. "It's great knowing I'll be able to come home safe at the end of my shift. I can do my job without being worried."

Bob McDevitt, the union's president, said sexual harassment is real in the hospitality industry.

"Our country has been pre-occupied with millionaire entertainers being sexually harassed by billionaire owners, but what is being lost in all this are the working women who are far more likely to face this kind of behavior at their jobs," he said. □

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University: Return of donor's money 'never' about abortion

By **BLAKE PATERSON**

Associated Press

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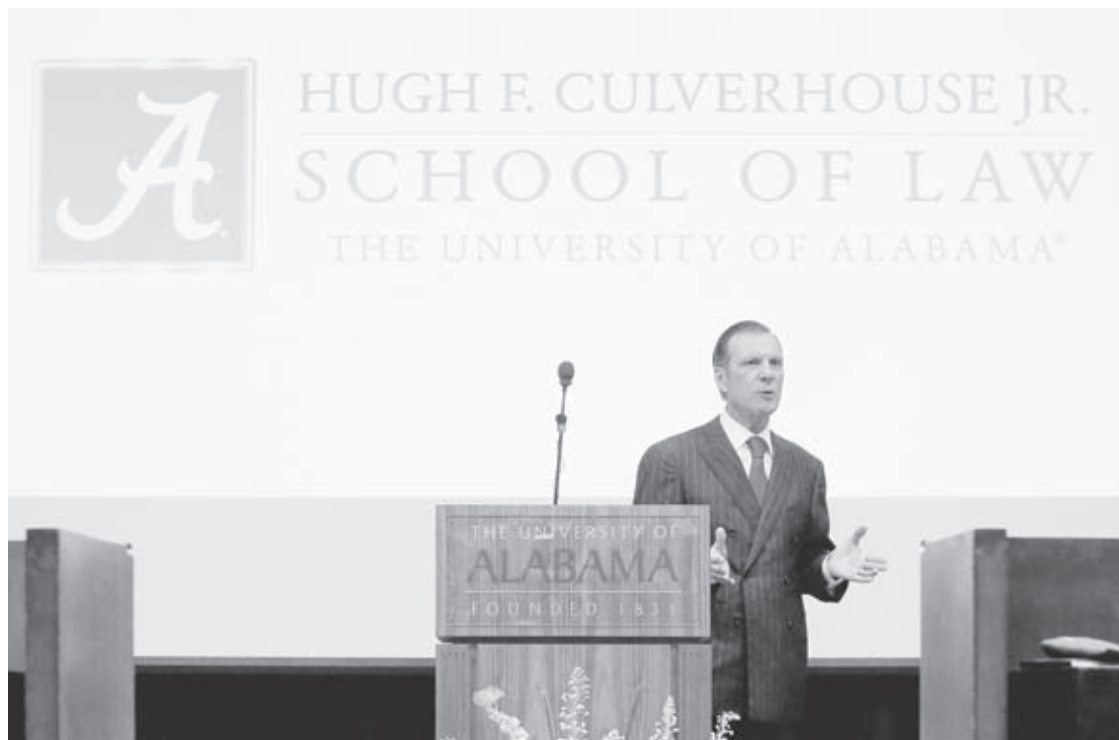
University of Alabama officials have released a selection of emails to back up their contention that their decision to return a record \$26.5 million donation had nothing to do with the donor's highly publicized call for a boycott in response to the state's new, near-total abortion ban.

Instead, the emails suggest the relationship between the university and Hugh F. Culverhouse Jr. had already soured before he called the boycott, and the university was already moving to return his record donation before he spoke out.

The university said Culverhouse Jr., a 70-year-old Florida real estate investor who pledged the record-setting gift in September, attempted to influence student admissions, scholarship awards, the hiring and firing of faculty and the employment status of the law school dean.

Culverhouse has said repeatedly that the university's decision to return his money was retribution for his call for a boycott of the university over the restrictive abortion legislation.

The university said it wanted to "set the record straight." "Our decision was never about the issue of abortion," read a statement released Sunday alongside the emails. "The donor's continuing effort to rewrite history by injecting one of



In this Sept. 20, 2018, file photo, Hugh F. Culverhouse Jr., who pledged a \$26.5 million donation to the University of Alabama law school, speaks during an event in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

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society's most emotional, divisive issues into the decision is especially distasteful."

Culverhouse, however, said the emails selectively released by the university only tell part of the story, adding that he believed the issues raised in the emails had been resolved. He said he continues to believe the university is lying about the motivation for the decision and argued that at least one email included was "fabricated" to appear as though university officials decided to return his money earlier than they claim.

"There's too much coincidental and inconsistent behavior for me to buy anything Alabama says,"

Culverhouse said. "I specialize in white collar criminal work. I've seen these kinds of documents before. The minute I looked at it I burst out laughing."

According to the emails, on May 25 — four days before Culverhouse called for the boycott — Chancellor Finis St. John IV authorized a university lawyer to prepare an outline of what needed to be done to return the gift, writing: "We need to do this immediately because it will only get worse."

Culverhouse said he believed this email was "man-

ufactured."

University spokeswoman Kellee Reinhart said the university was "completely comfortable allowing the record to speak for itself" and had nothing else to add.

The matter erupted publicly on May 29 when Culverhouse urged the boycott, saying: "I don't want anybody to go to that law school, especially women, until the state get its act together."

He spoke after state lawmakers passed legislation making abortion at

any stage of pregnancy a crime punishable by 10 years to life in prison for the provider, with no exceptions for rape or incest. The law, set to take effect in November, is the most hardline of the anti-abortion measures enacted this year as states emboldened by the new conservatives on the U.S. Supreme Court take aim at *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 ruling that legalized abortion nationwide.

Hours later, the university announced it was considering giving Culverhouse his money back after officials said he repeated "numerous demands about the operations" of the law school. They emphatically denied the decision had anything to do with the abortion comments. The university did not elaborate any further until it released the emails Sunday.

Culverhouse did not attend Alabama, but his parents did, and the business school bears the name of Hugh Culverhouse Sr., a wealthy tax lawyer and developer who owned the NFL's Tampa Bay Buccaneers. After the younger Culverhouse's record-setting donation the law school was renamed after him but his name was stripped from the school Friday when the trustees also voted to return his money. □

U.S. judge: Construction on Obama center should proceed

By **SOPHIA TAREEN**

Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — Plans

to build Barack Obama's \$500 million presidential center in a lakefront Chicago park can move forward, a federal judge said Tuesday, adding that a written ruling dismissing a park advocacy group's lawsuit would follow.

After hearing oral arguments, U.S. District Judge John Robert Blakey said there should be "no delay in construction."

The state-of-the-art center — to include a recording studio, classroom space and public library branch



In this May 3, 2017 file photo, former President Barack Obama speaks at a community event on the Presidential Center at the South Shore Cultural Center in Chicago.

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— was supposed to open in 2021 in Jackson Park. It's located along Lake Michigan and close to where the former president start-

ed his political career and later lived with his family. But the lawsuit and a federal review have delayed plans. □

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Building materials helped spread Grenfell fire, U.S. suit says

By **MARYCLAIRE DALE**
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Faulty building materials helped spread a devastating fire at London's Grenfell Tower in 2017, turning the residential complex into a "flaming coffin" for the 72 people who died, according to a product liability suit filed Tuesday in the United States.

Nearly 250 survivors and families of victims joined the suit, which targets U.S. companies that made products used at the complex. The suit was filed in a state court in Philadelphia. "This fire originated and spread because of decisions made in the United States by United States corporations that prioritized profits over safety," said attorney Robert Mongeluzzi, who is known for winning

huge legal awards over deadly construction accidents.

The lawsuit does not seek specific monetary damages. It would be up to a jury to decide how much money to award. Mongeluzzi expects it to take more than two years for the case to go to trial.

The Grenfell blaze started two years ago June 14 in an apartment refrigerator and raced up the side of the 24-story residential building. The building's exterior cladding was made of highly flammable material that can't be used in U.S. skyscrapers, the plaintiffs lawyers said. The insulation was similarly combustible, they said.

The suit names refrigerator maker Whirlpool, based in Benton Harbor, Michigan; Pittsburgh-based cladding

manufacturer Arconic Inc.; and insulation maker Celotex, whose corporate parent, French manufacturer Saint-Gobain, has its U.S. headquarters in the Philadelphia suburbs.

The suit accused Arconic of cutting corners by using a polyethylene product instead of a more expensive, fire-resistant material — sending the message that "foreign lives are worth less than American lives."

The insulation produced by Celotex released cyanide gas that killed several of the victims and caused lasting injuries in some of the survivors, according to another plaintiffs' lawyer, Jeffrey Goodman.



Attorney Robert Mongeluzzi speaks with members of the media during a news conference in Philadelphia, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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Both products have since been pulled from the market, the lawyers said.

"This fire spread with incredible speed, raced its way up the tower," Mongeluzzi said. "The problem with Celotex insulation and Arconic Reynobond PE cladding is they burn like

gasoline. They didn't retard the flames, they accelerated the flames."

All three companies issued statements Tuesday extending sympathies to victims and pledging their cooperation with the public inquiry underway in London. □

Girl, 11, is 2nd child fatally shot in St. Louis in 2 days

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Police in St. Louis said Tuesday they were investigating the shooting death of an 11-year-old girl, the second child to be shot and killed in the city in two days. Charnija Keys was shot in the head about 11:40 p.m. Monday, police said. They are calling it a "suspicious death," and homicide detectives and child-abuse investigators are handling the case.

No arrests have been made, and no other details were immediately released.

A 3-year-old girl was killed Sunday night in a drive-by shooting. A second child was critically injured in that shooting. There also have been no arrests in that case. In a Twitter post, Mayor Lyda Krewson called Sunday's shooting "Outrageous, abhorrent, unthinkable. Unbearable pain for these families."

St. Louis has seen 77 homicides so far this year, a slight increase from the same period in 2018. The city often has among the highest homicide rates in the U.S.

The Board of Aldermen's budget committee recommended last week that \$500,000 be set aside starting July 1 for an anti-crime effort. Public Safety Director Jimmie Edwards would determine which program, but one under consideration called Cure Violence seeks to resolve conflict and change the culture of high-crime areas. □

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Boris Johnson builds momentum in UK Conservative race

By JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Boris Johnson solidified his front-runner status in the race to become Britain's next prime minister on Tuesday, gaining backing from leading pro-Brexit lawmakers. But he faced calls from his rivals to abandon his low-profile campaign strategy and start answering questions from journalists and the public. Ten candidates are running to succeed Theresa May, who stepped down last week as Conservative Party leader.

Johnson, 54, has won the backing of many Brexiteer Conservatives by promising to lead Britain out of the European Union by Oct. 31, with or without a divorce deal. Brexit-backing ex-party leader Iain Duncan Smith wrote in Tuesday's Daily Telegraph that Johnson "is the most likely to deliver on the requirement to leave the EU" by that date. Johnson has also been endorsed by some pro-EU Tories who think the flamboyant, tousle-haired ex-foreign secretary has the skills to energize a demoralized party and win back voters angry at the mess politicians have made of Brexit.



British Conservative Party lawmaker Boris Johnson leaves his home in London, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

In a straw poll among a right-of-center bloc of Tory lawmakers on Monday, Johnson received almost double the votes of his nearest rival.

Most have given television and radio interviews and held public launch events — things Johnson has so far avoided, in an attempt to reduce the chance of gaffes that could derail his campaign. He also has not

said whether he will participate in planned televised debates among leadership candidates.

The right-leaning Daily Mail newspaper said in an editorial that "if he wants to win, this bunker mentality is simply not good enough. Even though he's the favorite, he can't just sit back and hope to win by default." Health Secretary Matt Hancock, another contender,

said "everybody who puts their name forward to be prime minister should be open to scrutiny, should be accountable."

"I think everybody should participate in the proposed TV debates and I think we have got to ask the question, why not?" he told the BBC. May resigned as Conservative leader last week after failing three times to secure Parliament's back-

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ing for her divorce deal with the EU. She'll remain caretaker prime minister until the party chooses a replacement.

The candidates to succeed her divide between those, including Johnson, who say the U.K. must leave on the scheduled date of Oct. 31, and others willing to delay departure in order to secure a divorce deal that's acceptable both to the EU and to Parliament.

"It is not going to be possible to leave on the 31st of October," said candidate Mark Harper, who said more time would be needed to secure a reworked deal with the EU and get it through Parliament.

But former House of Commons leader Andrea Leadsom put herself firmly in the hard Brexit camp, saying that "leaving the EU on October 31 is for me a hard, red line." In votes starting Thursday, the 313 Conservative lawmakers will narrow the field of 10 candidates down to two, who will be put to a vote of about 160,000 party members nationwide.

The winner, who will become Britain's next prime minister, is due to be announced in late July. □

Seen as pro-business, Macron shifts to the left at UN body

By JAMEY KEATEN
Associated Press

GENEVA (AP) — French President Emmanuel Macron on Tuesday called for an EU-wide minimum wage and a stepped-up fight against inequality, in what represents a return to his left-leaning political roots after critics have painted him as overly pro-business. In a speech to the U.N.'s main labor body, Macron alluded to the protests by the yellow vest anti-government movement in France that has shaken his balancing act as a promoter of business with roots in the Socialist Party — which he abandoned to set up his own centrist party. "France has gone through very difficult crisis in the last few months, which I have personally experienced as



French President Emmanuel Macron delivers his statement, during the 108th session of the International Labour Conference - ILO Centenary Session, at the European headquarters of the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

Associated Press

a type of opportunity," Macron said in remarks that appeared largely targeted to a domestic audience that has questioned his qualifications as a center-left leader.

The yellow vest movement, which has challenged Ma-

cron, has faded in recent weeks. The movement started in November, when close to 300,000 protested around France. Violence and rioting overshadowed the protests, damaging the movement and putting his government on the de-

fensive. At the centennial conference of the International Labor Organization, Macron said he supported efforts to reduce inequality between women and men in the workplace, strike a minimum wage across the European Union, and ensure that no more international trade deals contribute to "economic and labor dumping." In a bid to show he was listening to his critics, Macron said it was the failures of leaders "that lead to the success of the extremes" and warned that a crisis has put the world's democracies "on the brink of war if we don't watch out." He insisted that his centrist government had at times come up with "the right responses," but acknowledged that they had appeared

too distant for many French people. Macron was joined by heads of state and government including German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev. Many addressed threats to traditional jobs posed by automation and artificial intelligence and called for more multilateralism to address global problems.

Medvedev warned that the global order was under threat and lamented the negative impact of "illegal sanctions, protectionism and trade wars." It was a not-so-veiled reference to the United States, which is on the cusp of a trade war with China and has slapped crippling sanctions on Iran. The U.S. is represented in Geneva beneath ministerial level. □

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Russian journalist freed after police abruptly drop charges

By NATALIYA VASILYEVA
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MOSCOW (AP) — In a stunning turnaround, Russian authorities Tuesday abruptly dropped all charges against a prominent investigative reporter after a public and media outcry over his arrest, and they promised to go after the police who allegedly tried to frame him as a drug dealer. The release of Ivan Golunov marked an extremely rare case of security officials admitting a mistake. It also highlighted the difficulties that Russian journalists routinely face when reporting on sensitive topics like graft, corruption and President Vladimir Putin's personal life.

The 36-year-old Golunov was stopped Thursday by police on a Moscow street and taken into custody, where his defense team said he was beaten and denied a lawyer for more than 12 hours. The journalist, who works for the independent website Meduza, had been facing drug charges that could put him in prison for up to 20 years.

Supporters mounted a nationwide campaign on his behalf, with journalists and others picketing Moscow police headquarters for five days. More than 20,000 people signed an online pledge to march in the capital on Wednesday, a public holiday, to protest Golunov's arrest.

But Interior Minister Vladimir Kolokoltsev surprised the nation when he announced that all charges against Golunov were dropped after police found "no proof of his part in a



Prominent Russian investigative journalist Ivan Golunov, centre, gestures as he leaves a Investigative Committee building in Moscow, Russia, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

crime." "I believe that the rights of any citizen, whatever his professional affiliation, ought to be protected," the minister said, adding that he will ask Putin to dismiss two police generals, including the drug chief of the Moscow police, and suspend the officers who detained Golunov.

Speaking outside police headquarters, a shy and shocked-looking Golunov said he still couldn't believe he was cleared so quickly. "I will keep doing investigations to justify the trust of all those who supported me," he said.

He added that he hopes the police will stop trying to frame innocent people, adding: "I hope it will not happen to anyone else in our country."

In an unusual broadcast, his release was shown live on a state-controlled 24-hour news channel.

Judicial statistics indicate

that the chances for criminal charges to be dropped or an acquittal once a person is in custody are extremely slim. When it does happen, authorities tend to avoid taking any blame.

"When the authorities admit their mistakes, admit the mistakes of the law enforcement officials and correct them, that's very good because it shows that the government is reasonable," Alexei Venediktov, editor-in-chief of the influential Ekho Moskvy radio station, told the Interfax news agency.

It is not yet clear if the police reversal represented a turning point for the many Russian journalists who are routinely attacked or face government pressure for their work. Many of them say they don't feel safe to operate and report freely.

"We have put the pressure on the system and it worked this time," said Pavel Kany-

gin, investigative reporter at Novaya Gazeta. "But it really is impossible to work in this environment."

The circumstances of Golunov's detention alarmed others in the media. In an apparent attempt to portray him as a professional drug dealer, police on Friday released several photos, reportedly from his home, of what appeared to be a drug lab. They later retracted the statement, saying that the photos were taken elsewhere.

In a separate statement later, the police said they found cocaine at Golunov's home. A judge put him under house arrest Saturday following a public outcry of support, including from high-profile journalists working for state-owned media.

Many Russian journalists have to tread carefully in their work, especially when reporting about Putin and

his family. But since Golunov's work mostly focused on Moscow City Hall and the city's crime-ridden funeral industry, the case raised questions about a possible shift in where the red lines are drawn in Russian journalism.

Award-winning journalist Roman Badanin was ousted from three major editorial positions between 2011 and 2016 after the media outlets under his leadership touched on topics believed to be too sensitive for the Kremlin.

Three top editors at the business newspaper RBC, including Badanin, were ousted in 2016 after reporting on Putin's inner circle, including an investigative piece about an oyster farm near a mansion that a whistleblower has described as "Putin's palace."

To Badanin, the crackdown on Golunov stands out because it lower-level decision-makers, rather than the Kremlin or government-connected tycoons, were likely behind it.

"Ivan's case tells us that now violence or unlawful actions against journalists can be applied at a lower level, not just by the Kremlin," he told The Associated Press.

In act of journalistic solidarity not seen for at least 15 years, RBC and two other major papers, Kommersant and Vedomosti, published identical front pages on Monday with the headline "I am/We are Ivan Golunov," and called for a transparent investigation of his case. The newspapers all had first-hand experience of government pressure and indirect censorship. □

Botswana decriminalizes gay sex in landmark Africa case

By CARA ANNA

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG (AP) —

Botswana became the latest country to decriminalize gay sex on Tuesday, a landmark case for Africa, as the High Court rejected laws punishing it with up to seven years in prison.

Jubilant activists in the packed courtroom cheered the unanimous decision in the southern African nation that is seen as one of the continent's most stable and democratic. The ruling came less than a month after Kenya's High Court had upheld similar sections of its own penal code in another closely watched case.

"Botswana is the ninth country in the past five years to have decriminalized consensual same-sex relationships," U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric said.

"Consensual same-sex sexual relationships remain criminalized in at least 67 countries and territories worldwide," he told reporters at U.N. headquarters in New York.

More than two dozen countries in sub-Saharan Africa have laws criminalizing gay sex, often holdovers from colonial times. Earlier this



Activists celebrate outside the High Court in Gaborone, Botswana, Tuesday June 11, 2019.

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year, the southern African nation of Angola decriminalized same-sex activity and banned discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Those arguing against the laws say they leave people in the LGBT community vulnerable to discrimination and abuse while making it difficult to access basic health and other services.

The Botswana-based non-governmental group LEGABIBO, which supported the anonymous petitioner

in the case, has said such laws "infringe on basic human dignity."

People in the courtroom were ecstatic, leaping up, clapping and ululating, LEGABIBO legal policy director Caine Youngman told The Associated Press. When the judges said the right to privacy includes the right to choose a partner, "it hit home," he said.

"I'm a gay man. I've been out for many years. Now I can live with my partner without worry," Young-

man said. He said the state might appeal "to appease the homophobes" and has 30 working days to do so.

The ruling led to rejoicing from rights groups that had expressed frustration with the Kenyan decision last month, including ones in countries such as Nigeria, Uganda and Ghana where gay sex remains illegal. Amnesty International called on other African nations to follow Botswana's example in "an exciting new era of acceptance."

Botswana's High Court said in its ruling that penalizing people for who they are is disrespectful and discriminatory, and that the law should not deal with private acts between consenting adults. The ruling cited the recent decriminalization in India and elsewhere. It also pointed out that all three arms of Botswana's government have expressed the need to protect the rights of the gay community.

Before the ruling, LEGABIBO shared a comment attributed to President Mokgweetsi Masisi: "There are also many people of same-sex relationships in this country who have been violated and have also suffered in silence for fear of being discriminated. Just like other citizens, they deserve to have their rights protected."

The judges cited the president's comment in their ruling. Botswana in recent years has taken other steps toward protecting LGBT rights. The High Court in 2017 ruled that the government should issue a transgender man documentation reflecting his identity. And in 2016 an appeals court ruled that LEGABIBO could register as a nonprofit. □

Pakistan's former president questioned in anti-graft probe

By MUNIR AHMED

Associated Press

ISLAMABAD (AP) —

A Pakistani court handed over the country's former president to a national anti-graft body on Tuesday for questions regarding a multi-million dollar money laundering case.

Asif Ali Zardari will be held for ten days pending investigation on corruption charges.

The court order came a day after Zardari was arrested after the rejection of his and his sister's bail applications. However, authorities did not arrest Faryal Talpur; no explanation was given.

Both the former president, currently a member in the lower house of Parliament,



Supporters of Pakistan's People's party burn a picture of Javed Iqbal, Chairman of the National Accountability Bureau to protest the arrest of their leader Asif Ali Zardari, in Peshawar, Pakistan, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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and his sister had been accused by the National Accountability Bureau of holding dozens of bogus bank accounts.

They have denied any wrongdoing.

Zardari's opposition Pakistan People's Party claims the charges against him

were politically motivated, which the government denies. Several prominent politicians and businessmen have been swept up on corruption charges since Prime Minister Imran Khan took office last year, after winning a narrow majority in parliamentary elections. Khan campaigned heavily on promises to root out graft among the country's elite.

Zardari, widower of assassinated ex-Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, was president for five years, until 2013.

Tuesday's court hearing was held amid tight security, as his party's supporters held small rallies across the country to condemn the arrest. Zardari will appear

in court again on June 21, when the anti-graft body is expected to press or drop charges.

Also on Tuesday, the anti-graft body arrested Hamza Shahbaz, a politician who is the son of the opposition leader Shahbaz Sharif, after the rejection of his bail in a corruption case. He is also the nephew of the former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, who is currently serving a jail term over corruption charges.

Sharif, who served as the country's premier three times, was ousted from office by the Supreme Court in 2017 because of the corruption charges against him. Sharif, along with other family members, has cases still pending against him. □



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Human rights group locates North Korean execution sites

By KIM TONG-HYUNG

Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) —

A human rights group said Tuesday it has identified hundreds of spots where witnesses claim North Korea carried out public executions and extrajudicial state killings as part of an arbitrary and aggressive use of the death penalty that is meant to intimidate its citizens.

The Seoul-based Transitional Justice Working Group said its research was based on interviews with 610 North Korean defectors conducted over four years who helped locate the sites with satellite imagery.

The group didn't reveal the exact locations of the 323 sites because it's worried that North Korea will tamper with them, but said 267 of them were located in two northeastern provinces near the border with China, the area where most of the defectors who participated in the study came from. North Korea's public executions tend to happen near rivers, in fields and on hills, and also at marketplaces and school grounds — places where residents and family members of those sentenced are often forced to attend the killings, the report said.

The group also said it documented three sites where people died while in detention and 25 sites where the dead were allegedly disposed of by the state. It said it also found official locations that may have documents or other evidence related to the killings, the Associated Press



In this Feb. 26, 2019, file photo, South Korean protesters and North Korean defectors hold portraits of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un during a rally urging the United States to discuss North Korean human rights issues in the upcoming summit in Seoul, South Korea.

could not independently verify the report, and the group acknowledged that its findings weren't definite because it doesn't have direct access to North Korea and cannot visit the sites defectors told it about. Ethan Hee-Seok Shin, one of the report's authors, also said interviews with defectors suggest that public executions in North Korea are becoming less frequent, although it's unclear whether that's because more people are being executed in secret.

South Korea's Korea Institute for National Unification, a state-sponsored think tank, expressed similar views on its annual white paper on North Korea's human rights released last week. The institute said the

North still uses public executions to provoke fear and control the behavior of its citizens, particularly in city and border areas where crimes are more prevalent. The Transitional Justice Working Group is a non-government organization founded by human rights advocates and researchers from South Korea and four other countries. The group said the new report was made possible by funding from the Washington-based National Endowment for Democracy, which is funded by the U.S. Congress.

North Korea didn't immediately respond to the report, but the nation bristles at outside criticism of its human rights record and claims negative assess-

ments are part of U.S.-led pressure campaigns meant to tarnish the image of its leadership and destroy the country's political system. In a report to the United Nations Human Rights Council in May, North Korea said it "consistently maintains the principle of ensuring scientific accuracy, objectivity and impartiality, as well as protecting human rights in dealing with criminal cases."

A 2014 United Nations report on North Korea's human rights conditions, however, said state authorities carry out executions, "with or without trial, publicly or secretly," in response to political and other crimes that are often not among the most serious offenses. While public executions

were more common in the 1990s, North Korea continues to carry them out for the purpose of instilling fear in the general population, the report said.

The new report said its findings show arbitrary executions and extrajudicial killings under state custody have continued under the rule of young leader Kim Jong Un despite international criticism over how North Korea supposedly applies the death penalty without due judicial process. Since assuming leadership in 2011, Kim has shown a brutal side while consolidating his power, executing a slew of members of the North Korean old guard, including his uncle Jang Seong Thaek, who was convicted of treason, and senior officials accused of slighting his leadership.

Following a provocative run in nuclear and missile tests, Kim initiated diplomacy with Washington and Seoul in 2018 in attempting to leverage his arsenal for economic and security benefits. But North Korea's human rights issues have so far been sidelined in the summitry between Kim, President Donald Trump, and South Korean President Moon Jae-in.

Almost all of the state killings documented in the report were public executions by firing squad. Public executions in most cases are preceded by brief "trials" on the spot where charges are announced and sentences are issued without legal counsel for the accused, the report said. □

Colombia ex-rebel, wanted in US, sworn in as congressman

By **CHRISTINE ARMARIO**

Associated press

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) —

A former Colombian rebel leader wanted in the U.S. on drug charges was sworn into office as a congressman on Tuesday in a case that has riled detractors of the still-fragile peace accord with leftist rebels that ended decades of conflict. Seuxis Hernandez took an oath pledging to uphold Colombia's constitution in a simple ceremony held inside an office at the legislature.

"I promise," he said, lifting one hand while the other grasped onto a walking stick the blind rebel ideologist uses to get around.

The oath caps a turbulent month that has renewed debate in Colombia over the peace accord's stipulations for prosecuting rebel crimes. The man best known by his alias, Jesus Santrich, has been twice released from jail in recent weeks after two courts ordered him freed despite a U.S. drug warrant seeking his extradition.

While Santrich remains under investigation, he was allowed to take office after a commission upheld the validity of his election last



Former FARC rebel Jesus Santrich talks to journalists after swearing in to take his congressional seat in Bogotá, Colombia, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

year to one of 10 seats in Congress guaranteed to former rebels as part of the peace deal. Members of Congress have limited immunity from prosecution.

"I appreciate everyone who has raised their voices to make the final accord agreed to in Havana a reality," Santrich said after taking the oath. He asked detractors not to, "insist on shredding to pieces the reconciliation Colombians

have dreamed of."

President Ivan Duque was elected to office on a platform promising to reform aspects of the 2016 accord and called on the inspector general to suspend the swearing-in. He said recent evidence revealed after the Special Peace Jurisdiction ordered Santrich freed supports U.S. claims that he conspired to ship 10 tons of cocaine even after the peace deal was signed.

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"How can a country accept allowing someone clearly accused of participating in drug trafficking to take the oath of office?" Duque asked.

Under the accord, rebels who lay down their weapons and confess crimes are spared jail time and extradition, but aren't protected for crimes committed after the signing. U.S. authorities claim the alleged crimes took place after the sign-

ing. But the Special Peace Jurisdiction ruled there wasn't provided sufficient evidence to draw a conclusion.

Santrich was briefly released but then detained again as part of a new investigation based on additional information provided by U.S. authorities. The Supreme Court ordered him freed a second time since, as a lawmaker, Santrich has limited immunity and only the highest court can rule on his case.

The son of two school teachers, Santrich joined a local youth communist group as a student and entered the guerrilla movement in his early 20s. He gradually rose through the rebel ranks to eventually join the central high command. He was one of the first rebels to bet on peace, traveling to Norway's capital in 2012 to kick off negotiations with Colombia's government and then participating in talks that continued the next four years in Cuba, where he earned a reputation as being a hardliner. Santrich was arrested last April, shortly after the legislative election. He has denied the charges against him. □

Nicaragua officials release more prisoners after crackdown

By **GABRIELA SELSER**

Associated Press

MANAGUA, Nicaragua

(AP) — Principal leaders of protests against President Daniel Ortega's government and two prominent journalists were freed from prison Tuesday ahead of a June 18 deadline to release the last of hundreds of people the opposition considers political prisoners.

Neighbors and friends gathered to receive the newly freed activists with Nicaraguan flags, blue and white balloons and cheers. Videos circulated online showing rural movement leaders Medardo Mairena and Pedro Mena, student leader Edwin Carcache and 100% Noticias journalists Miguel Mora and Lucía Pineda Ubau.

The releases came amid a broader move to set free



Edwin Carcache, fourth from left, poses with family and friends after being freed from prison, in Managua, Nicaragua, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

people detained since last year for their role in the protests under an agreement meant to ease the country's political standoff.

The government has been gradually releasing prisoners since dialogue between the two sides reopened

in February, though those talks later stalled with little progress on reaching agreement, in part over opposition demands that all jailed government opponents be freed and cleared of charges.

Authorities said in a state-

ment that 56 people were freed Tuesday and that the International Committee of the Red Cross accompanied them to their homes. Fifty others were released the previous day, and the Civic Alliance opposition group estimated that the number behind bars is now around 80, down from hundreds previously.

Defense attorney Julio Montenegro demanded the government free all remaining "because none of the political prisoners is guilty of a crime."

Tuesday's releases came as a surprise, with no prior word from the government, he added.

"It was to prevent there being a media presence at the releases and to avoid having people's excitement be seen," Montenegro said. "But that all got to

social media regardless."

Noé Ubau, cousin of Pineda Ubau, said the two 100% Noticias staffers had left prison early Tuesday. Ubau was the station's spokeswoman, and Mora its director, before it was raided and shuttered in December.

Pineda said she would travel to Costa Rica where her family lives. Tens of thousands of Nicaraguans fled to exile during the unrest, many of those to neighboring Costa Rica.

Irlanda Jerez, another person freed Tuesday, alleged that armed men attacked her home and beat her husband minutes after her release, but could not say who. The Organization of American States and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights celebrated the releases. □

LOCAL



Exploring the Mainstreet of San Nicolas



SAN NICOLAS— At Just 11 miles south-east from Oranjestad you will enter the city San Nicolas, also known as Sunrise City or Chocolate City. A city that is rich in authentic culture and island charm. San Nicolas is Aruba's second largest city and was once a bustling company town dominated by the oil industry since the early 1930's.

Over the course of four decades, its demographics had changed immensely due to a stream of Afro-Caribbean and South American workers who came to fill the jobs in the oil refinery between the 1920's until the 1960's. To this day traces of the multicultural influences in culinary offerings and customs, housing and population are clearly visible in San Nicolas - more than anywhere else on the island.

Flow of history

if you are looking for history San Nicolas has it. Here you will find three amazing museums, The Museum of Industry, the Community Museum and the Carnival Euphoria, all within walking distance from one another.

The Museum of Industry is situated in the Water Tower in San Nicolas and narrates Aruba's industrial history which began in the 19th century. Here you will learn about gold, aloe, phosphate, oil and the tourism industries which made San Nicolas once a bustling business center. Experience the touching stories of those who were part of this history.

Nicolaas Store built in 1940 and renovated in 2014 is the home of the Community Museum. The collection is remarkable and spans millennia. Ancient fossils stand next to tableaus of an authentically recreated colonial kitchen and bedroom and 19th-century barbershop, just to name a few of the items of old-time Aruba that has been preserved. A collection of artifacts and

other objects of artistic, cultural, historical, or scientific importance can be found here for the purpose of education or enjoyment.

Carnival Euphoria is showcasing Aruba's Carnival. See how are Carnival has developed over the past 65 years.

The new San Nicolas

In the shadow of the refinery, an art capital is quietly beginning to grow. This is the new San Nicolas, a place that is starting to become a magnet for all that is young, cool and hip in Aruba. Indeed, San Nicolas has all of the ingredients of an emerging cultural hub — varied history, interesting architecture, and, perhaps most importantly, an urban layout that makes it walkable. As you walk around, the streets are silent but the walls are loud, filled with bright, colorful murals painted by a collection of artists from around the world. Thanks to the efforts of various art organizations in Aruba, such as Art Rules Aruba and Aruba Art Fair, San Nicolas has had quite the aesthetic makeover with regards to vibrant street art. Each year more and more stunning murals are replacing broken down buildings with colorful art pieces that keep brightening up SunriseCity.

Must See, Do, Buy & Eat

A little bit of everything can be found in the main street. Stores selling shoes, clothing, jewelry you name it. Arts & crafts by Cosecha store & Creative Center, a design store in which you can immerse yourself in discovering genuine and locally made arts and crafts which reflect the diversification of the Aruban craft heritage and the artistic supply of artisans. Don't miss out on trying the exquisite food offered by the cafes and restaurants or just enjoy a peaceful walk admiring the murals, mosaic benches and all the history San Nicolas has to offer. □



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The Ritz-Carlton, Aruba embraces Diversity

PALM BEACH — Celebrating love, friendship and inclusion within PRIDE month was the intention of The Ritz-Carlton, Aruba to organize a small gathering yesterday night. “We from the Ritz-Carlton would like to express the openness towards diversity by showing love and care for all”, Julika Thijsen, Sr. Marketing Coordinator, explains.

The month of June was chosen for LGBT Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall riots, which occurred at the end of June 1969. As a result, many pride events are held during this month to recognize the impact LGBT people have had in the world. The special evening at The Ritz-Carlton, Aruba was dedicated to unite and embrace the diversity of humans. Feel as you are and just be you is the message. The RCMemories created another great moment of connection and celebrated this with great wines and delicious hors d'oeuvres. ☐



Citizens of Aruba received the Royal Award

ORANJESTAD — The Governor of Aruba, His Excellency Alfonso Boekhoudt, awarded a Royal honor to Mrs. D.L. Antonette (Knight in the Order of Orange-Nassau), Mr. G.M. Peterson (Knight in the Order of Orange-Nassau), Mr. R.I. Kan (Member in the Order of Oranje-Nassau) and Mr. L.F. Schmidt (Member in the Order of Oranje-Nassau).

The Order of Orange-Nassau is a civil and military Dutch order of chivalry founded on 4 April 1892 by

the Queen regent Emma, acting on behalf of her under-age daughter Queen Wilhelmina. The order is a chivalric order open to "everyone who has earned special merits for society"

The presentation took place as part of the annual ribbon shower that took place on Friday 26 April. Because the aforementioned decorated people could not be present, they have now received their Royal Award from the hands of the Governor. □



Honoring of loyal visitors at the Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort Spa & Casino



EAGLE BEACH — Recently, Kimberley Richardson of the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure to honor Aruba's loyal and friendly visitors as Goodwill Ambassadors. The symbolic Goodwill Ambassador certificate is presented to guests who visit Aruba for 20 years consecutive years or more.

The honorees were Scott and Ellen Paticoff who came to Aruba for their 23rd consecutive year and during their stay they decided to renew their vows on the beach!

The Paticoff's indicated that they love our island very much, especially because they have been

visiting since their kids were small, and they look forward to continuing their annual trips but now with their grandchildren. They expressed that Aruba has the friendliest people and that the island is indeed a 'One happy island' to them.

Ms. Richardson together with the representatives of the Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort Spa and Casino presented the Goodwill Ambassador certificate to the honorees, and handed over some additional presents, thanking them for choosing Aruba as their favorite vacation destination and as their home-away-from-home. □

Today's Happening



A weekly calendar with a selection of what's going on in Aruba

Wednesday 12

Dinner under the Stars

- Take a boat trip to Renaissance Island and let your taste buds travel to paradise.
- Enjoy a 4-course dinner menu consisting of Lamb Bock Choy or Salmon Ponzu, while your toes get pampered in the white secluded sand. The private dinner setting includes a welcome cocktail at Lucy's Dock (across the Renaissance Mall), boat trip to Renaissance Private Island, dinner on the beach and live entertainment.
- From 7:00PM-10:00PM
- Renaissance Private Island.
- Facebook: Renaissance Aruba Resort & Casino



Sunday 16

Magical Wonderland

- Aerial Dance & Performance
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- From 6:30PM-9:30PM
- Cas di Cultura
- Facebook: Aerial Dance & Performance



Thursday 13

Sound of Violin at Bohemian

- Bohemian is the ONLY French owned restaurant on Aruba and offers you Grande gastronomy in a hip decor. Thursday night has an extra magic: the live Violinist Angela performs! From traditional French and Italian famous melodies to more upbeat pop and rock and roll. A taste for everyone.
- From 6:00PM-12:30AM
- Bohemian (in front of Barcelo Resort)
- Facebook: Bohemian



Monday 17

Joy of Aruba

- Joy of Aruba is performed at the Divi Divi Hotel by the Popcorn Dancers, one of Aruba's best Youth Dance Group. The performers will be presenting the most popular folkloric & modern music and dance of the island of Aruba. The Popcorn Dancers are determined to bring pleasure for your eyes, ears, heart & soul.
- From 8:30PM-9:30PM
- Divi & Tamarijn Aruba All Inclusives
- Facebook: Popcorn Club & dancers aruba

Friday 14

Pre-Father's Day Crazy Bingo at Eagle Aruba Resort & Casino

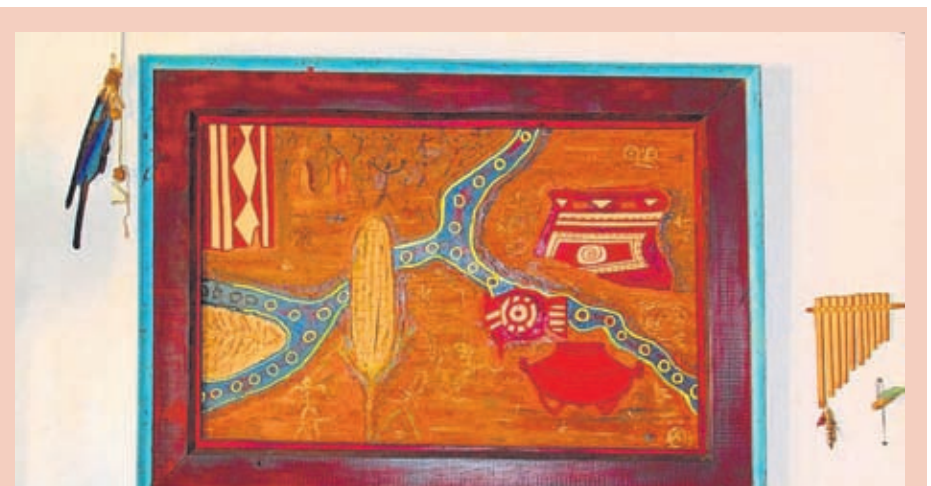
- Join the fun at the craziest bingo on the island. Live entertainment, local snacks and door prizes. This might be your lucky day to yell Bingooooo!!
- Starts at 8:00PM
- Eagle Aruba Resort & Casino
- Facebook: Eagle Aruba Resort & Casino



Saturday 15

Walk for the Cure-Full Moon Walk

- Foundation BOB Aruba would like to invite you to a full moon walk. With your contribution they will be able to bring more Awareness and help detect any irregularities in breast as early as possible. Gather the whole family and make some memories while enjoying the beautiful Full moon and at the same time contribute to a good cause.
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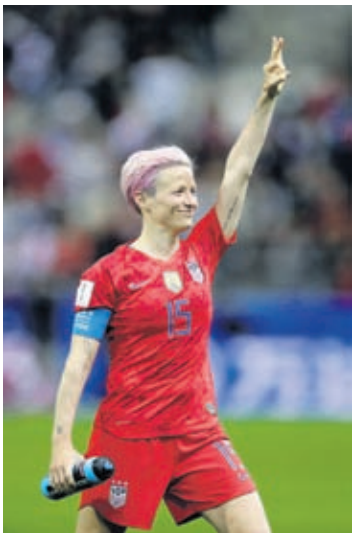


Tuesday 18

Etnia Nativa

- Explore the Native Aruban Art Gallery & Museum where all the produce and exhibit proceeds from discarded as well as recollected materials, recycled in beautiful art pieces inspired on Aruba's archaic Cultures. Anthony Croes will be delighted to give you a personal 1 hour tour.
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- Westpunt 37-A, Noord
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SPORTS



United States' Megan Rapinoe, right, congratulates teammate Alex Morgan after scoring her fifth goal during the Women's World Cup Group F soccer match between the United States and Thailand at the Stade Auguste-Delaune in Reims, France, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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Alex Morgan has 5 goals as U.S. routs Thailand 13-0

By ANNE M. PETERSON
AP Sports Writer

REIMS, France (AP) — Thailand was never a real threat to the U.S. national team. Even so, the three-time Women's World Cup champions had no desire to go easy on a lesser opponent in their opening game. Goals matter in the group stage. And statements matter in soccer's biggest tournament. "Obviously we have the utmost respect for everyone we play, but it's the World Cup," said captain Megan Rapinoe.

Alex Morgan tied the tournament record with five goals and the United States opened with a historic 13-0 rout of Thailand on Tuesday night. Samantha Mewis and Rose Lavelle each added a pair of goals for the United States, which broke the record for goals and margin of victory in a World Cup game.

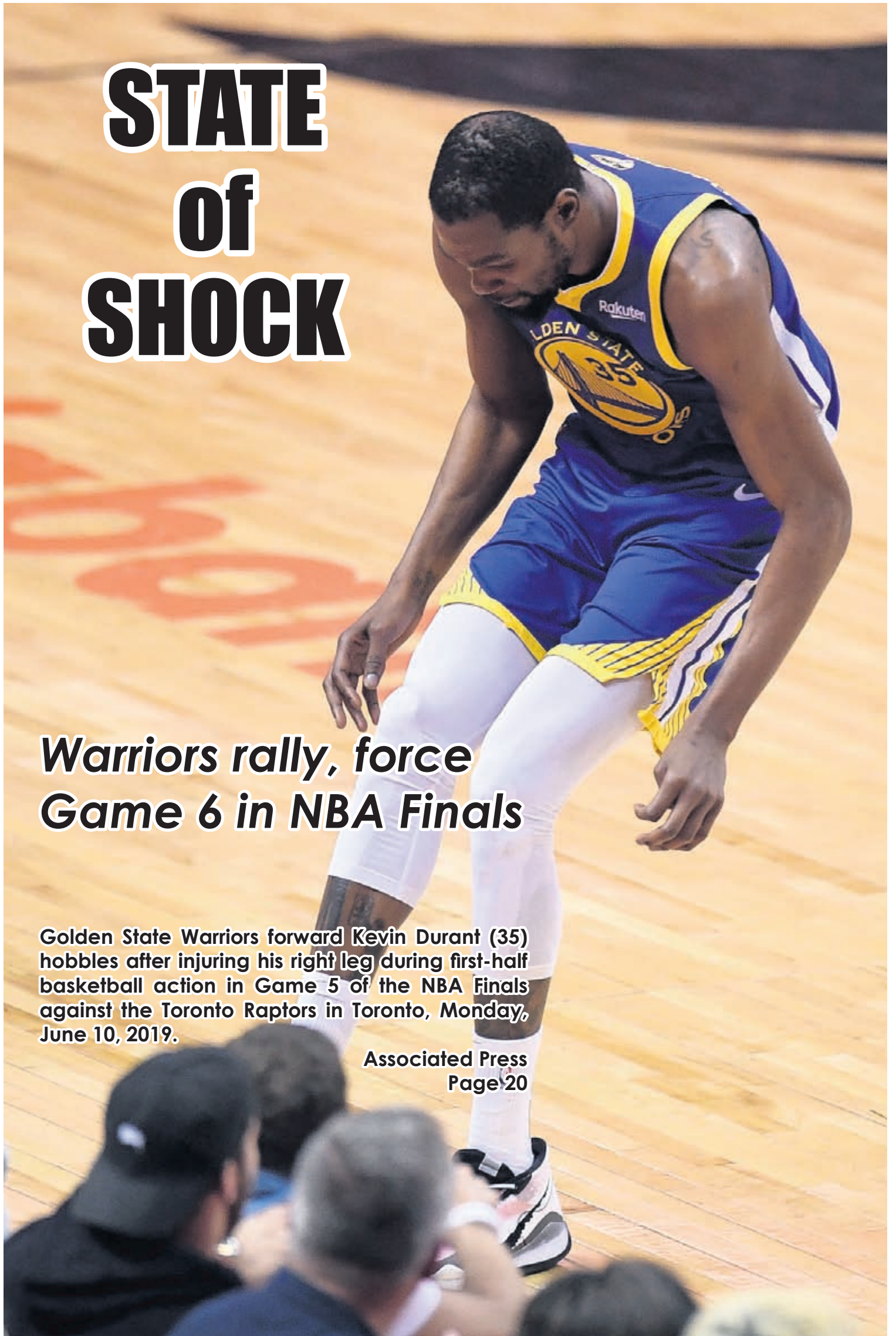
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STATE of SHOCK

Warriors rally, force Game 6 in NBA Finals

Golden State Warriors forward Kevin Durant (35) hobbles after injuring his right leg during first-half basketball action in Game 5 of the NBA Finals against the Toronto Raptors in Toronto, Monday, June 10, 2019.

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Road warrior Blues unfazed by Cup Final Game 7 in Boston

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**

AP Hockey Writer

BOSTON (AP) — If the St. Louis Blues beat the Boston Bruins in Game 7, perhaps Steve Hatze Petros should get his name on the Stanley Cup.

He is the NHL schedule-maker, making him the most responsible for a January-March stretch when the Blues didn't play more than one consecutive home game at a time. It was a virtual 70-day road trip that forced a team with a half-dozen new faces to come together under coach Craig Berube. It also helped them put up a 9-3 road record in the playoffs and it is a big reason the Blues say they feel totally at home playing for the Cup in Boston on Wednesday night.

"It was a time for us to get to know each other better," center Ryan O'Reilly said. "We got out and got away, got the chance to go to the rink together every day, eat together every day. It just kind of brought us together. I think that's where we found our identity and came together. As you can see throughout the course of the playoffs, we're confident in the room. We find it easier to get to our game and have success."

Whichever team gets to its style of game faster and more effectively wins. That has been the story of this hard-fought series between evenly matched teams that like to play different ways.

Boston wants to skate and use its talent to score goals and grab momentum. St. Louis prefers to get pucks deep in the attacking zone, make defenders turn around and then deliver body blows whenever possible.

The Blues front office has tried to replicate life on the road by having players stay in a hotel at home, but they are just 6-7 in St. Louis in the playoffs.

"I think when you're at home, you're maybe trying to play a little differently at times," Berube said.

The opening minutes of a

5-1 loss in Game 6 exemplified that. Players abandoned their straightforward approach and got fancy by trying to razzle-dazzle the puck past the Bruins, and when a goal didn't materialize in the first 10 minutes, momentum went the other way.

That's exactly how the Bruins like it.

"We came out pretty well," Boston defenseman Brandon Carlo said. "We've had good starts on the forecheck early, playing assertive, being aggressive and staying right on top of them, not backing down from anything, keeping our gaps tight, forwards are doing a great job on the forecheck and kind of asserting the pace out there."

Who sets the pace could



St. Louis Blues teammates congratulate goaltender Jordan Binnington, right, after defeating the Boston Bruins in Game 5 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Final, Thursday, June 6, 2019, in Boston.

win Game 7. If it is fast and up and down the ice, advantage Bruins.

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"I think we're a better skating team, and if we're playing to our pace both skat-

ing and moving the puck, I think we've taken over a little bit and created more chances, playing better defensively," Bruins forward Joakim Nordstrom said. "When we're skating, we're getting back on pucks better. It obviously helps our D to break the puck out. Same thing goes up ice. We get on the forecheck a little bit quicker."

The Blues' whole game is based on their forecheck — how they put pressure on opposing defensemen and wear them down over the course of a game and a series. "We're definitely built to sustain pressure," Blues winger David Perron said. "When we do that, we can really back off teams and hopefully slow down the crowd a little bit." □

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Durant returns from injury _ then hurts his Achilles

By **TIM REYNOLDS**

AP Basketball Writer

TORONTO (AP) — Golden State forward Kevin Durant has an injured right Achilles, a massive blow for the perennial All-Star and two-time NBA Finals MVP who may be three weeks away from free agency and could also be facing a long rehabilitation process. Warriors general manager Bob Myers was teary when he gave the news after Game 5 of the NBA Finals on Monday night. An MRI will be performed Tuesday to determine the severity, but Durant's season is clearly over and his recovery will likely take several months if the Achilles is indeed torn.

"He's one of the most misunderstood people," Myers said. "He's a good teammate, he's a good person, it's not fair. I'm lucky to know him. I don't have all the information on what really the extent of what it all means until we get a MRI, but the people that worked with him and cleared him are good people, they're good people."

Myers said Durant's first injury of this postseason was a calf injury, as the Warriors have insisted throughout. Myers also said that he is willing to accept the blame for the decision to play Durant in Game 5.

Golden State won 106-105, cutting Toronto's lead in the NBA Finals to 3-2.

"I don't believe there's anybody to blame, but I understand in this world and if you have to, you can blame me," Myers said. "I run our basketball opera-



Toronto Raptors forward Kawhi Leonard (2) defends against Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry (30) during first-half basketball action in Game 5 of the NBA Finals in Toronto, Monday, June 10, 2019.

tions department. And to tell you something about Kevin Durant, Kevin Durant loves to play basketball, and the people that questioned whether he wanted to get back to this team were wrong."

Durant got hurt on a dribble on the right wing, coming up lame on a cross-over move and falling to the floor. He grabbed the back of his leg, appeared to grab below the calf and more toward the Achilles area, and needed help to limp to the bench area and more help to get back to the Warriors' locker room. Warriors forward Andre Iguodala was on Durant's left side as they made the long walk back to the room, with Myers and Stephen Curry in the group immediately behind them.

"It sucks. I feel so bad for him, his camp," Warriors guard Klay Thompson said. "He's going to come back stronger though. That's the kind of fighter he is and I'm going to miss him, man. It's not the same being out there without him."

Durant shouted an expletive as he left the floor, his frustration obvious. He was supposed to be one of the marquee free agents this summer. He may now end up exercising his \$31.5 million option to stay with the Warriors, especially if he's going to be sidelined for an extended period.

"I'm hurting deep in the soul right now," Durant wrote on Instagram after the game. His season is over.

The Warriors' season isn't. "We do it for Kevin," Thompson said.

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Durant had been cleared by the Warriors' medical staff after Game 4, and participated in both a practice session Sunday and a shootaround practice earlier Monday. The Warriors had said throughout his monthlong absence that they did not want him back on the floor until he was right, for fear of a scenario where Durant aggravated the injury and had no chance of returning this season.

Their nightmare came true. And if it really only was a calf injury initially, this was worse.

"It's a bizarre feeling that we all have right now," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "An incredible win and a horrible loss at the same time."

Durant had 11 points in 12

minutes, making all three of his 3-point attempts. He started and played the first six minutes, then had the lower leg wrapped with a heating pad to keep it loose before he returned about three minutes later.

"He gave us what he had," Curry said. "He went out there and sacrificed his body."

When the injury happened, a number of NBA players reacted on Twitter quickly — both to the injury, and to the sound of some Toronto fans cheering when Durant got hurt.

"Why are they cheering for his injury? Come on man," Philadelphia center Joel Embiid wrote.

Added Washington's Bobby Portis: "Raptors fans can't cheer for a player getting hurt. That's lame."

Many others just sent best wishes, including Miami's Kelly Olynyk, Cleveland's Kevin Love and Atlanta's Trae Young. And some Raptors players, including Kyle Lowry, urged those fans who were cheering the sight of Durant limping to stop.

"I don't think the fans knew the significance of the injury," Lowry said.

The Warriors entered the night trailing the Raptors 3-1 in the title series — meaning their hopes of a third consecutive NBA championship remain on the brink now. Durant had not played since straining a calf muscle in Game 5 of the Western Conference semifinals against Houston, and the team hoped his presence would be a boost. □

A year after demotion, Voit lifts Yanks over Mets 12-5

By RONALD BLUM
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A year ago this week, Luke Voit was demoted to Double-A by the St. Louis Cardinals. Now he's vying for an All-Star selection and a spot in the Home Run Derby.

"It's crazy, man," he said after his tiebreaking three-run homer off Zack Wheeler in a five-run fourth inning led the New York Yankees over the Mets 12-5 Tuesday in the opener of a day-night Subway Series doubleheader.

Voit has 30 home runs in 102 games since the Yankees acquired him from St. Louis last July 28 for pitchers Chasen Shreve and Giovanny Gallegos. The 28-year-old took over at first base from the repeatedly injured Greg Bird and has 16 homers this year. He is the leader at his position in the first results of fan voting for All-Star starters.

"This team is giving me a lot of confidence to go out and do my job every day," he said. "It's just having fun in the locker room. I never feel like I'm a deadbeat." He made his big league debut with St. Louis in 2017 but was stuck behind Matt Carpenter and then José Martinez. Voit spent parts of five seasons in the Cardinals minor league season but had just five home runs in 70 games in the big leagues at the time of the trade. "There's nothing



New York Yankees' Luke Voit runs the bases after hitting a three-run home run against the New York Mets during the fourth inning in the first baseball game of a doubleheader, Tuesday, June 11, 2019, in New York.

worse than when you're in the minor leagues and you're hitting good, too, and you're just stuck," he said. "There's been multiple guys throughout the history of baseball that have been in that same situation, and for me to finally get a chance, you don't want to ever look back on it and you want to roll with it."

Gio Urshela hit a tying, two-run homer in the fourth, had four RBIs and was a triple short of the cycle, ending a stretch of 15 at-bats without a hit.

Gary Sánchez had three RBIs and tied for the AL

lead with his 20th home run, a two-run drive against Tim Peterson in the eighth.

Masahiro Tanaka (4-5) gave up a three-run homer to Jeff McNeil that put the Mets ahead 4-1 in the third but rebounded to win for the first time in a month.

James Paxton (3-2) was set to start the second game for the Yankees and Jason Vargas (2-3) for the Mets in a matchup of left-handers. Less than one-quarter of the seats were filled for the start of the makeup of Monday night's rainout. Despite brilliant sunshine on the late spring afternoon, the usual

crowd buzz for the matchup of New York rivals was absent. "There was a lot of Mets fans here," Voit said. "You could hear the guys in the stands giving us trouble. It was entertaining."

Third baseman Todd Frazier made a throwing error on a two-out grounder in the fourth. After a walk, Voit's homer on a slider put the Yankees ahead. The Yankees made three errors and the Mets two.

"It's on me. The end of that inning is on me," Frazier said.

Pitching on six days' rest after the birth of his daugh-

ter Friday and the rainout, Tanaka allowed five runs — four earned — and seven hits in 6 2/3 innings. He had been 0-2 in four starts since winning May 12 at Tampa Bay. The Mets have lost 18 of their last 22 road games. At 32-34, they have not been over .500 since May 3.

Wheeler (5-4) gave up a career-high nine runs — five earned — and 10 hits in 4 2/3 innings. Coming off a five-hit shutout of San Francisco, he has not won consecutive starts this year, and his 13 home runs allowed are one shy of his 2018 total.

"My slider wasn't very good today. The change-up wasn't really working," Wheeler said. "The fastball was about the only thing going for me."

DOUBLE TROUBLE

This was the fifth doubleheader between the teams. The Yankees swept the first three before a split in 2008.

WEB GEM

Yankees left fielder Brett Gardner made a sprawling backhand catch on McNeil leading off the game.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Mets: 2B Robinson Canó (left quadriceps), OF Brandon Nimmo (neck) and LHP Justin Wilson (left elbow) were to play for Triple-A Syracuse against Charlotte. ... RHP Noah Syndergaard left before the opener because of strep throat. □

Indians manager Francona: Ortiz 'a very special person'



In this Oct. 10, 2016, file photo, Boston Red Sox's David Ortiz waves from the field at Fenway Park after Game 3 of baseball's American League Division Series against the Cleveland Indians in Boston.

Associated Press

By STEVE HERRICK
Associated Press

CLEVELAND (AP) — Cleveland Indians manager Terry Francona knows how much David Ortiz means to baseball.

"He's a very special person, not to just to me, to a lot of people," said Francona, who managed Ortiz with the Red Sox from 2004-2011, a stretch that included two of the three World Series titles Ortiz won with Boston.

Ortiz was shot in the torso Sunday night in his native Dominican Republic. Doctors performed surgery and

Ortiz was flown to Boston in an air ambulance Monday night. Once in Boston, he underwent two hours of exploratory surgery.

"I know he's in great hands. He couldn't be in a better place or with better people," Francona said. "He's in a great place, with people that obviously care about him but also are extremely good at what they do." The veteran manager said Ortiz was more than just the charismatic face of the Red Sox.

"Extremely endearing," Francona said. "He could light up a room or put a

room at ease with his smile, but I also got to see a side of him, how he prepared to hit and how dangerous he was at the plate and what a leader he was. He was a guy that I could go to."

Francona recalled a season when Ortiz was dealing with a wrist injury, which led to a reduction in playing time. "We had our times where it was not easy," Francona said. "He was coming back from that wrist. We were platooning a little bit. We fought our way through it and got to a better place, but that happens in this game." □



Joey Logano (22) defeats Kurt Busch (1) and Martin Truex Jr. (19) to win a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Michigan International Speedway, Monday, June 10, 2019, in Brooklyn, Mich.

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NASCAR's top series a two-team show for now

By **NOAH TRISTER**

AP Sports Writer

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — NASCAR's top series has been a two-team show.

Joey Logano's victory at Michigan on Monday gave Team Penske its fifth Cup win of the season.

That's two fewer than Penske had all of last year, when Logano won the series title. In another year, Penske might be the clear choice as NASCAR's dominant team, but that's not the case at the moment. Joe Gibbs Racing has nine victories — together, these two teams have combined to win 14 of the 15 races so far.

"When I think of key races to win, obviously the crown jewel events that we probably all know, Brickyard, Daytona, Darlington, those type of racetracks that really stand out," Logano said. "This one is next in line to me because of Roger Penske, this being in his backyard. You always want to win at your home track."

It's been quite a few weeks for Penske, who won his 18th Indianapolis 500 thanks to Simon Pagenaud and now has the points leader in NASCAR with Logano. Of course, to win Monday, Logano had to hold off two of Gibbs' top cars — the No.

19 of Martin Truex Jr. and the No. 18 of Kyle Busch. Truex complained afterward that he thought Logano was too quick on an overtime restart.

Logano and Brad Keselowski are first and third in the Cup standings for Penske. Busch is second, Truex is sixth, and Denny Hamlin is seventh for Gibbs. The two teams combined to take four of the top six spots in Monday's race.

"We just did the best we could with what we had," Busch said. "Our M&M's Camry was not great, but we just kept working on it all day. We just kept falling back or doing rounds, doing air pressure, everything we could to get improving on it and make it better. ... Overall we came with about — way better than we should have. Let's go with that. Way better than we should have."

At this point last season, five teams had victories, and Stewart-Haas Racing and JGR had combined to win 11 of the 15 races. But through 15 races in 2017, eight different teams had already won, and none of them had more than three victories.

The next four races on the schedule — at Sonoma, Chicagoland, Daytona and Kentucky — are at

places where Truex, Busch and Erik Jones won last year. They all drive for Gibbs at the moment, so perhaps Team Penske should feel a bit relieved after taking advantage of its opportunity at Michigan, where JGR has won only one of the past 15 races.

JGR has managed to win nine races despite having no poles yet this year. Logano was actually the first driver to win from the pole all season — although all three of his career wins at MIS were as the pole winner.

Just another factor that appeared to work in Penske's favor in Michigan.

"I think there's a lot of advantages to winning the pole here in Michigan. Number one being the pit stall you get is the best pit stall in not only this race-track but probably the whole sport when it comes to winning a pole here," Logano said.

"That first pit stall is really good. It's really close to the camera line, which obviously puts you in what position you're in when you're leaving. The closer it is, the faster the stall. Pretty big advantage to get it here. That pays rewards throughout the whole race.

"We had a fast car. We kept it out front." □



U.S. forward Josh Sargent (19) battles for the ball against Jamaica midfielder Peter Vassell (16) during the second half of an international friendly soccer match Wednesday, June 5, 2019, in Washington. Jamaica won 1-0.

Associated Press

Tyler Adams will miss Gold Cup with injured groin

CHICAGO (AP) — U.S. midfielder and defender Tyler Adams will miss the CONCACAF Gold Cup because of an injured groin, the third regular starter who will not be available to the struggling American team.

The U.S. Soccer Federation said Tuesday that Adams has acute chronic groin issues requiring six to eight weeks of recovery. He was replaced on the roster by Dallas defender Reggie Cannon.

Starters DeAndre Yedlin and John Brooks are hurt and missing the tournament, the championship of North and Central America

and the Caribbean. Sebastian Lletget, who was contending to start in midfield, also is sidelined.

Coming off a 1-0 loss to Jamaica and a 3-0 defeat to Venezuela, the U.S. opens its Gold Cup title defense against Guyana on June 18 at St. Paul, Minnesota, in the Americans' first competitive match since the October 2017 loss at Trinidad and Tobago that ended a streak of seven World Cup appearances. They face Trinidad on June 22 at Cleveland and complete group play against Panama on June 26 at Kansas City, Kansas. □

Baseball signed by Hall of Famers gets \$236,389 at auction

By **The Associated Press**

A baseball signed by 11 of Major League Baseball's original Hall of Fame inductees in 1939 fetched \$236,389 at the Lelands Spring Classic Auction.

Among the other highlights were: an original team photo of the 1914 Baltimore Orioles featuring Babe Ruth, which sold for a record \$190,373; a Bobby Orr circa 1972 Boston Bruins game-worn jersey that went for \$113,924; and a jersey worn by former Knicks star Walt Frazier in Game 7 of the 1970 NBA Finals, which netted \$100,081.

The sale of the Ruth photo shattered the previous record price for a sports pho-

to sold at auction: \$77,098 for an original image of Charles Conlon's iconic Ty Cobb sliding photo taken at Hilltop Park in New York in 1910.

Pittsburgh Steelers game-worn jerseys directly from the team's archive were also sold, including a 1982 Jack Lambert jersey (\$50,131).

A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the jerseys will be donated to the Chuck Noll Foundation for Brain Injury Research.

Also auctioned was the last jersey worn in a game by Heisman Trophy winner Ernie Davis, in the 1962 Coaches All-America Game. It sold for \$20,713. □

Defiant Semenya to IAAF: Catch dopers, 'not us'

By JOHN LEICESTER

AP Sports Writer

MONTREUIL, France (AP) —

After another winning run, a defiant Caster Semenya on Tuesday urged track's governing body to drop its pursuit of female runners with high testosterone levels and instead focus on catching dope cheats.

Speaking after winning a 2,000-meter race on the outskirts of Paris, the South African again made clear that she will refuse to medicate to bring down her testosterone levels, to comply with hugely controversial rules pushed by the IAAF.

"I'm not an idiot. Why will I take drugs? I'm a pure athlete. I don't cheat. They should focus on doping, not us. I'm never going to take drugs," the two-time Olympic champion over 800 meters said.

Another athlete affected by the rules, Francine Niyonsaba, also responded with a defiant "No!" when asked after the race if she would medicate.

"I'm sad, because it's a discriminatory rule, you know, a rule that targeted me and other world-class athletes in certain disciplines,"



In this May 3, 2019, file photo, South Africa's Caster Semenya crosses the line to win gold in the women's 800-meter final during the Diamond League in Doha, Qatar.

said Niyonsaba, who took the silver medal behind Semenya in the 800 at the 2016 Olympics.

Athletes affected by the rules have levels of testosterone in the male range, the IAAF says, and they must reduce them to be allowed to run in women's events. The IAAF argues that testosterone's muscle-building capacity and abil-

ity to help athletes carry more oxygen in their blood gives Semenya and others like her an unfair athletic advantage over other women.

The rules, which came into effect May 8, apply to races from 400 meters to one mile. Semenya tried but failed to have the regulations struck down by the Court of Arbitration for

Sport. Her legal team subsequently appealed to the Swiss supreme court, which then temporarily lifted the contentious rules in her case.

Semenya wouldn't comment Tuesday on that appeal, saying she's not a lawyer.

But she made clear that she intends to be the master of her own fate, saying:

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"I'm not going to change because of any man."

"If they have a problem with me, I don't have a problem with them. That's their business, to worry, not mine," she said.

On a soggy, rain-drenched and chilly evening, Semenya ran a forgettable time of 5 minutes, 38.19 seconds over 2,000 meters, a rarely-run distance that isn't an Olympic medal event.

Ultimately, if her appeal fails and Semenya can no longer compete over 800 meters, her signature event, she suggested that it wouldn't be the end of the world for her.

She said she could drop down to sprints or scale up to longer distances if needed.

"I can run any event I want," she said. "I'm a talented athlete. I'm not worried about anything else." The IAAF rules apply to a specific group of women with medical conditions known as differences of sex development (DSD) and specifically those born with the typical male XY chromosome pattern and testosterone levels higher than the typical female range. □

Alex Morgan

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Rapinoe, Lindsey Horan, Mallory Pugh and Carli Lloyd also scored. The previous record margin was Germany's 11-0 victory over Argentina in 2007.

Morgan tied Michelle Akers' record for World Cup goals, set in the quarterfinals against Taiwan in 1991. The team's seven different scorers also set a tournament record.

Lloyd, 36, became the oldest American woman to score at a World Cup and joined Germany's Birgit Prinz as the only players to score in five straight World Cup games.

The United States faced criticism over its relentless attack. The Americans led 3-0 at the break and then broke the match open in the second half, with the players celebrating goal

after goal.

The Americans meant no disrespect, said Morgan, but they simply wanted to position themselves for a run at a second consecutive title.

"We really just came into the game really wanting to showcase ourselves," Morgan said. "Every goal matters in this tournament and that's what we were working on."

Asked about the lopsided score, U.S. coach Jill Ellis wondered if a 10-0 victory in a men's World Cup would elicit the same questions. "This is a world championship, so every team here has been fantastic to get to this point. And I think that to be respectful to opponents is to play hard against opponents, and as Alex said, it's a tournament where goal differential is important," Ellis said.



United States' Alex Morgan celebrates after scoring her third goal during the Women's World Cup Group F soccer match between the United States and Thailand at the Stade Auguste-Delaune in Reims, France, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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The two teams were the last to kick off in the group stage for the monthlong tournament. Host France opened the World Cup before a sellout crowd in Paris on Friday night with a 4-0 victory over South Korea.

Ranked No. 1 in the world, the Americans had dropped only one match

in their previous 38, a loss to France in Le Havre in January. The team was 7-1-2 overall this year, with six straight wins going into the World Cup.

The last time the Americans played in the sport's top tournament, Lloyd had a hat trick in the first 16 minutes and the United States

beat Japan 5-2 in Canada for the trophy.

The U.S. pounced early against Thailand, too, on Morgan's header in the 13th minute off Kelley O'Hara's precisely placed cross. Mewis, Lavelle and Horan were all making their World Cup debuts.

Thailand, ranked No. 34 in the world, was clearly out-matched even though the team has shown progress on the world stage. Making its World Cup debut in 2015 four years ago, Thailand finished third in its group but earned its first win, a 3-2 victory over Ivory Coast.

At the final whistle, Lloyd and Christen Press were seen consoling the Thailand goalkeeper. Morgan put her arm around Thailand's Miranda Nild, who was wiping away tears on the field. Nild and Morgan both played college soccer for the California Golden Bears. □



By: Dr Carlos Viana

My father, Manuel, would tell me that all men put their pants on one leg at a time. It was his way of telling his son that despite the diversity in careers, lifestyles, backgrounds, abilities and aspirations; men are more alike than different. Their lives are governed by many of the same desires and consequences. A man's prostate gland is the largest, shared reality.

When healthy and in young men, the prostate gland, about the size of an Aruban florin has many jobs. As a muscular organ that surrounds the urine tube at the base of the bladder, it controls the release of urine. The prostate also has a part that secretes a fluid that makes up part of the semen and enhances the swimming ability and fertility of sperm. These secretions also play a valuable role by protecting the urine tube, the urethra from urinary tract infections, which seem to be much more rare in men than women. A bonus for males, the pumping action of the prostate fluid feels good, making sex desirable and thus helping procreation.

The prostate gland contains a crucial enzyme; 5-alpha-reductase that converts the hormone testosterone in the body to DHT (dihydrotestosterone), which is at least ten times more powerful than simple testosterone. This potent hor-

none DHT has several purposes including male sexual drive and function.

Perhaps the prostate's most important function is that it filters and removes toxins to protect the sperm, which improves the sperm health. Unfortunately, over time, a build-up of toxins in the prostate has several negative effects. With the increase number of pollutants and toxins in our food and the environment, 5-alpha-reductase is reduced, which is then responsible for the declining sex drive in men as they age. At the same time, toxins absorbed by the prostate to protect sperm is one of the main reasons there is a growing epidemic of prostate disease and cancer as men deal with more and more toxins. The prostate also must protect sperm from the numerous sexually transmitted diseases. The epidemic of the human papilloma virus (HPV) from having unprotected sex with one partner will forever transmit this disease to all other partners in unprotected sex. The HPV virus which produces cervical cancer in women, has now been shown to start a reaction that will eventually lead to prostate cancer in men decades later.

During ejaculation, a fluid produced in the prostate, Prostate-specific antigen (PSA) is important for keeping sperm liquid. Keeping sperm liquid makes swimming possible so the sperm can make it into the womb. This is the same test we ask for in blood tests to check for prostate problems, like risk or development of cancer. After an ejaculation, the amount of PSA rises naturally in the blood. It slowly returns to normal after a couple of days. However, the older the man, the longer it takes for PSA to fall back to "normal". Thus, I tell men, before their blood test, to wait as many days as their decade of life, before checking PSA. For example a 40 year old should not ejaculate for at least 4 days before checking PSA.

All men should be concerned about prostate cancer. Some prostate cancer signs related to urination include: burning or pain during urination, difficulty urinating, or trouble starting and stopping while urinating and more frequent

urges to urinate at night. The most troubling include, loss of bladder control, decreased flow or velocity of urine stream and, seeing blood in urine.

These are also symptoms are also of enlarged prostate, known as BPH for Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia. Most men have continued prostate growth throughout life. In many men, this continued growth enlarges the prostate enough to produce BPH problems. It isn't entirely clear what causes the prostate to enlarge. However, it might be due to changes in the balance of sex hormones, as men grow older.

The secret is how to protect your prostate. The first recommendation is to use a condom. Protecting both partners, condoms use is highly effective against the most dangerous of sexually transmitted infections, including HPV. The second recommendation is to reduce environmental toxins by avoiding or using protection from chemicals. Eating healthy foods like blueberries, acai berries, raspberries and cranberries that have phytochemicals which protect against numerous types of cancer. Garlic, besides regulating blood pressure, appears to protect against all types of cancer, including prostate. The more raw and cooked garlic a person consumed, the lower the risk of cancer.

The best-known supplement to protect the prostate is Saw palmetto. Used mainly for urinary symptoms associated with an enlarged prostate gland (BPH), Saw palmetto is also used for other conditions, including chronic pelvic pain, bladder disorders, decreased sex drive, hair loss, and hormone imbalances. Be sure to take a zinc supplement each day also to support male hormones.

Get The Point! All men have the same risk that increases, as they get older. For a man, it is critically important to keep the prostate healthy. Besides a blood test checking PSA and a physical finger exam, there are medical strategies that can help protect prostate health. If you are interested in a healthy prostate today for a more successful tomorrow, call to make an appointment. □

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Investors should guard against tunnel vision on trade wars

By **STAN CHOE**
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Once this trade-war cloud gets lifted, investors should have little to worry about, right? Monday's market action makes it seem that way: Stocks around the world climbed after President Donald Trump withdrew a threat to impose tariffs on Mexico, at least for now. That leaves investors hoping for a deal to soothe the more contentious and complex trade dispute with China, which helped sink stocks last month.

Economic trends were already signaling trouble before the latest round of tariff-induced fear. Friday's surprisingly weak jobs report, where employers added far fewer jobs than economists expected, gave extra pause. Corporate profits are also under pressure.

"If the administration fixes the problem it created, I'm sure there will be a short-term pop in the stock market," said Rich Weiss, chief investment officer of multi-asset strategies at American Century Investments. "However, I believe it's only short-term because ultimately that will not remedy the underlying fundamentals, which are just not strong."

Of course, many along Wall Street are still forecasting gains for stocks this year. Much of the optimism rides on analyst forecasts



In this May 29, 2019, file photo trader John Romolo works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

for profit growth to accelerate later this year. Plus, stock prices are looking like better values following their tumble in recent weeks. Perhaps most importantly, the Federal Reserve has intimated it may come to the market's rescue again and cut interest rates if the trade war swamps the economy. But skeptics say optimists aren't looking closely enough at all the troubles getting overshadowed by trade disputes. Among the concerns:

— SLOWING ECONOMIC GROWTH, EVEN BEFORE THE LATEST TRADE SKIRMISHES

The bright spots for the U.S. economy are still clear: The job market is solid, as

long as Friday's disappointing report doesn't herald something more lasting. The unemployment rate at 3.6% is at its lowest since 1969, and consumers are feeling relatively confident. That's key when consumer spending accounts for two thirds of the economy.

But skeptics point to other recent economic reports that showed weakness in April, before this latest round of trade worries flared up. Among them: another drop in North American freight shipments, slower manufacturing growth than economists expected and weaker business spending on equipment.

Michael Wilson, equity

strategist at Morgan Stanley, sees a warning flag in falling profits for many retailers. While the industry's overall figures for the first quarter may look decent due to big gains for Amazon, Nordstrom and other retailers saw big declines. That could be an early sign that U.S. consumers, whose spending is such a key part of the economy, may be less willing to spend in coming months.

— LACKLUSTER PROFIT GROWTH

Companies across the S&P 500 reported roughly flat earnings for the first three months of 2019, as they're no longer getting the big boost of the first year of

lower tax rates. But analysts are more optimistic about trends later this year and are forecasting growth to accelerate to 7% in the fourth quarter, according to FactSet. That's key because stock prices tend to track the path of corporate profits over the long term. But skeptics say those projections are too high.

Barry Bannister, a strategist at Stifel who was among the first voices on Wall Street to turn cautious on stocks last year, expects earnings in the second half of 2019 to fall short of analysts' projections, particularly in the technology, health care and energy industries.

With the dollar's value strong and U.S. manufacturing slowing, he's looking for CEOs to give profit forecasts for the second half of 2019 that fall short of analysts' expectations, with announcements coming as soon as next month, when companies begin reporting their second-quarter results. Companies are also paying higher wages to their workers, and average hourly earnings rose 3.1% in May, which raises their costs. Compare that against the consumer price index, which gives a window into how easily companies can pass along price increases to their customers, notes Chun Wang, senior analyst at Leuthold. CPI inflation hasn't been that high since 2011, and it was at 2% in April. □

Private equity firm buying Shutterfly for \$1.74 billion

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Private equity firm Apollo Global Management is buying online photo publishing company Shutterfly for \$51 per share.

Apollo will pay \$1.74 billion for the 20-year-old company, which became popular offering its users prints and photobooks of their favorite shots. But demand for that type of service has declined as people opt to share photos online through Facebook and other social networks. Redwood City, California-based Shutterfly's stock closed at \$50.25



This April 26, 2012, file photo shows the Shutterfly headquarters in Redwood City, Calif.

Associated Press

on Monday — and was trading as high as \$94.28 per share a year ago.

Ryan O'Hara, the former CEO at real estate company Move Inc., will become

Shutterfly's new chief executive. Shutterfly became popular during a time when printing photos meant a trip to the supermarket and often a dayslong wait. The company's popularity swelled by selling an array of photo-clad gifts including mugs, calendars and canvases.

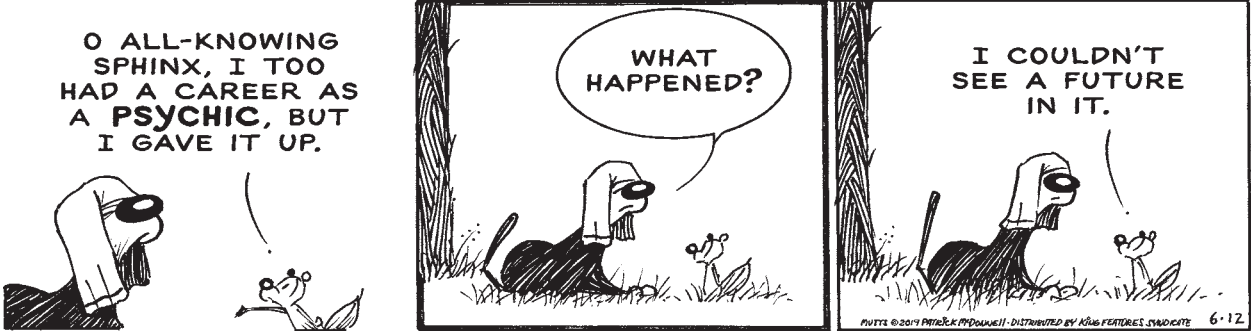
Shutterfly bought competitor's Kodak's online photo business for \$23.8 million in 2012 after the legacy photo company filed for bankruptcy protection earlier that year. But as digital photo sharing became more pervasive, Shutterfly's

popularity waned, even as revenue grew.

Shutterfly announced it would lay off about 260 employees, or 13% of its staff, in early 2017.

Shutterfly bought school photography company Lifetouch for \$825 million last year. Apollo will also buy photo printing company Snapfish and merge it with Shutterfly. Apollo has bought more than 150 companies, including security company ADT, entertainment restaurant Chuck E. Cheese's and telecom firm Charter Communications. □

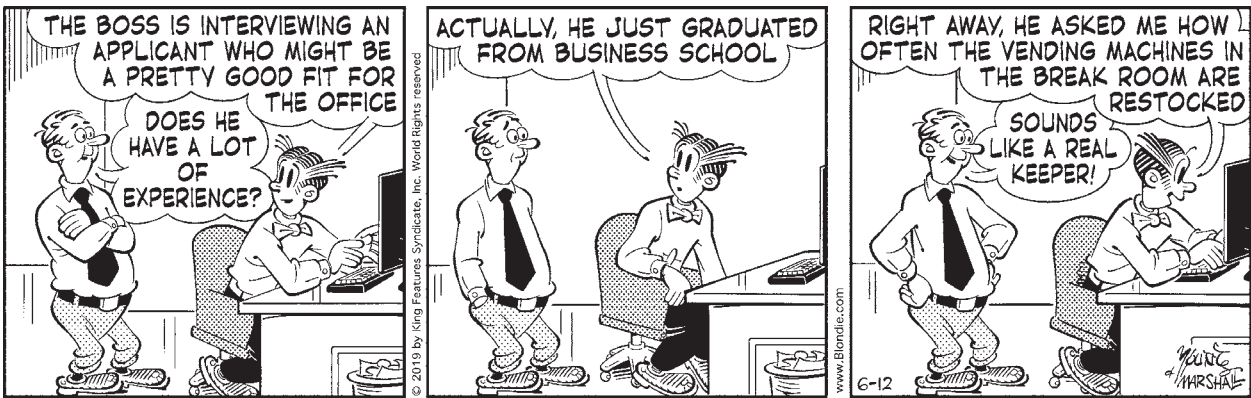
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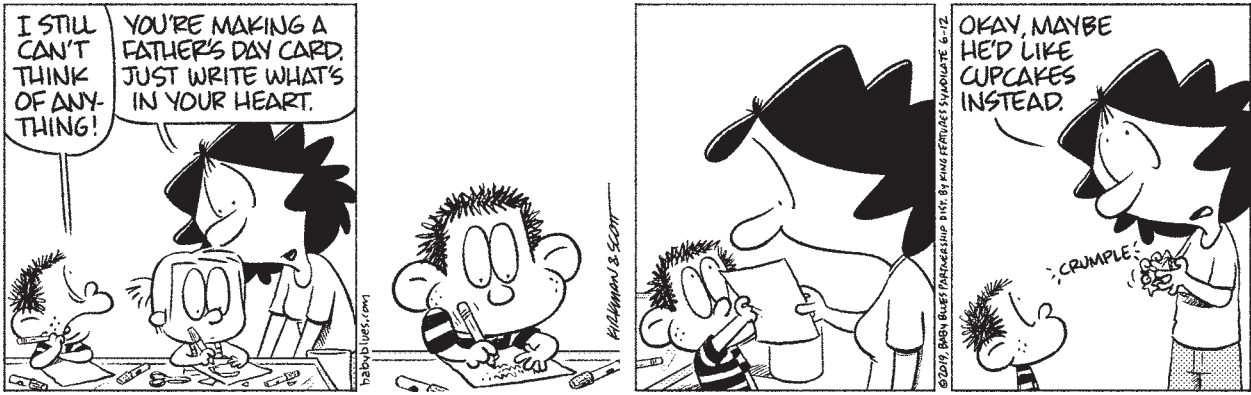
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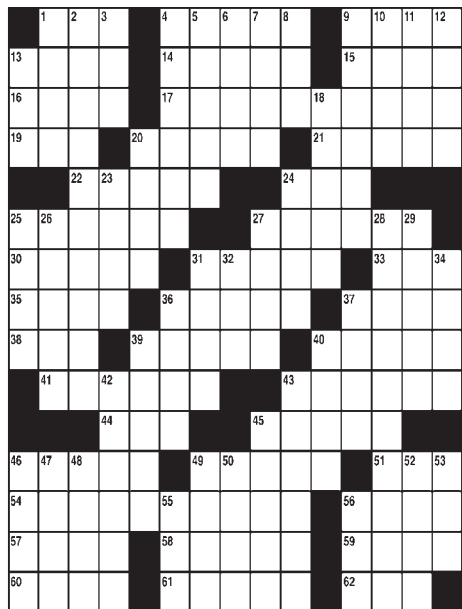
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

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8	9	4	7	3	5	1	6	2
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- ACROSS
- 1 Guacamole or salsa
 - 4 "...I shall never see a poem lovely as ..."
 - 9 Falkirk resident
 - 13 Explorer Vasco da
 - 14 Barbecue
 - 15 "It's all Greek ..."
 - 16 Acting award
 - 17 Kept in mind
 - 19 Afternoon social
 - 20 "... porridge hot..."
 - 21 ...up; admits one's feelings
 - 22 Attempted
 - 24 School dance
 - 25 Large beer mugs
 - 27 Woods
 - 30 Fortune-teller's deck
 - 31 Crusty wound coverings
 - 33 Group of whales
 - 35 Leave unmentioned
 - 36 Stringed instrument
 - 37 South American nation
 - 38 Split ... soup
 - 39 Casino game
 - 40 Sheep's sound
 - 41 Zigzag skiing
 - 43 Thin-skinned
 - 44 Fuming
 - 45 Swamp
 - 46 Frequently
 - 49 Steeple
 - 51 ... Cruces, NM
 - 54 Misdeed
 - 56 "Dead men ... no tales"
 - 57 Bookish fellow
 - 58 Small weight
 - 59 Notice
 - 60 Observes
 - 61 Say hello to
 - 62 Feminine suffix
- DOWN
- 1 Knighted woman
 - 2 Unimportant



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews 6/12/19

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- 3 Salary
- 4 Concur
- 5 "Don't ... on me"; words on an old flag
- 6 Curved edges
- 7 Civil War Gen. Robert ...
- 8 American ... ND's state tree
- 9 Treeless plain
- 10 Apple's center
- 11 Foreboding sign
- 12 Williams & Turner
- 13 Acquire
- 18 Insensitive slob
- 20 Two cups
- 23 Hilarious person
- 24 Tramp
- 25 Say no more
- 26 Subdues
- 27 Groupies
- 28 Tongue-tied
- 29 Sacred scroll
- 31 Thailand, once
- 32 Beanie or zucchetto
- 34 Obligation
- 36 Nudge
- 37 Adder's sign
- 39 Sound of a fire bell
- 40 Use a drill
- 42 Make ...; atone
- 43 Dartboard
- 45 ... pie
- 46 ... up; admits guilt
- 47 On the house
- 48 Ripped
- 49 Bitter
- 50 Evergreen tree
- 52 European range
- 53 Underhanded
- 55 Collie or chow
- 56 Peg for Palmer

Lobster industry faces another deep cut in bait

By **PATRICK WHITTLE**

Associated Press

SOUTH PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Lobster fishermen

will likely have to contend with another deep cut to the availability of bait next year due to a Tuesday recommendation by a fishery management board.

Federal regulators have slashed the catch limits for Atlantic herring, which is an important source of bait for America's lucrative lobster fishery, over the past year. The New England Fishery Management Council voted Tuesday to again reduce the catch limits, this time to a little more than 25 million pounds in 2020.

The cut would reduce the Atlantic herring catch to its lowest level in decades, and less than a quarter of the 2017 total.

The reduction comes on the heels of an earlier cut-back that reduced this year's quota to less than 35 million pounds when the catch had been more than 200 million pounds just five years ago.

It remains to be seen how much of an impact the cut in bait supply will have on the lobster industry and consumers of lobster, but another reduction is "certainly not the news we want to hear," said Patrice McCarron, executive director of the Maine Lobstermen's Association. □

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Marijuana health claims lure patients as science catches up

By **CARLA K. JOHNSON**

AP Medical Writer

SEATTLE (AP) — Marijuana has been shown to help ease pain and a few other health problems, yet two-thirds of U.S. states have decided pot should be legal to treat many other conditions with little scientific backing.

At least 1.4 million Americans are using marijuana for their health, according to an Associated Press analysis of states that track medical marijuana patients.

The number of medical marijuana cardholders more than tripled in the last five years as more states jumped on the bandwagon. The analysis is based on data from 26 states and the District of Columbia. The total climbs to 2.6 million patients if California, Washington and Maine are included, the AP estimates. States that expanded the use of medical pot for common ailments such as severe pain, post-traumatic stress disorder and anxiety saw a boost in enrollment, the AP found.

The U.S. government, meanwhile, both considers marijuana an illegal drug and a therapeutic herb worth more study.

A look at the health claims and research on medical marijuana:

THE EVIDENCE

Besides chronic pain, there's strong evidence marijuana or its ingredients can ease nausea and vomiting from chemotherapy and help with symptoms of multiple sclerosis. Several European countries have approved Sativex, a mouth spray containing THC and CBD, for multiple sclerosis symptoms. Last year, U.S. regulators approved Epidiolex,

made from CBD, to treat two rare seizure disorders. THC causes marijuana's mind-altering effect; CBD doesn't get people high.



In this Friday, March 22, 2019 file photo, an employee at a medical marijuana dispensary in Egg Harbor Township, N.J., sorts buds into prescription bottles.

Associated Press

British drugmaker GW Pharmaceuticals is seeking U.S. approval for Sativex. Other companies are pursuing Food and Drug Administration backing for products based on marijuana ingredients.

Arizona-based Insys Therapeutics, which filed for bankruptcy protection Monday as it faced fallout over its marketing of an addictive opioid painkiller, is developing CBD drugs for two types of childhood epilepsy and a rare genetic disorder. Pennsylvania-based Zynerva Pharmaceuticals is working on a CBD skin patch for autism and fragile X syndrome, a genetic condition.

Prescription drugs already on the market use synthetic THC to treat weight loss, nausea and vomiting in pa-

tients with AIDS or cancer. And researchers continue to study whether marijuana helps with PTSD, back pain and other problems.

OPIOID ALTERNATIVE?

New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New Mexico allow medical marijuana for opioid addiction despite little evidence it works.

But marijuana may be helpful in reducing use of opioid painkillers. The National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health, better known for its research on herbs and yoga, has set aside \$3 million for studies to determine which of marijuana's 400-plus chemicals help with pain.

THC was excluded however.

Its mood-altering effects and potential for addiction and abuse make it less useful for pain, said Dr. David Shurtleff, the agency's deputy director. And THC has been studied more than the lesser-known compounds.

CURE FOR CANCER?

Despite online claims, there's only weak evidence that marijuana's ingredients might one day be used to treat cancer. Most studies have been in animals or in the lab. Results have been mixed.

In one study, nine patients with an aggressive form of brain cancer had THC injected into their tumors; any effect on their survival

was unclear. Another study found worrying evidence that marijuana might interfere with some cancer drugs, making them less effective.

RESEARCHING AN OUTLAW MEDICINE

The U.S. government grows marijuana for research at a farm in Mississippi and generally bans grant-funded studies of real-world products.

But a mobile lab inside a white Dodge van allows University of Colorado Boulder researchers to study the potent strains of marijuana many patients consume without running afoul of the law.

Study participants use marijuana in their homes, coming to the van for blood draws and other tests before and after using, said Cinnamon Bidwell who has federal grants to study marijuana's effects on lower back pain and anxiety.

With increased demand for research pot, the Drug Enforcement Administration created an application process for growers, but has not acted on more than two dozen applications.

Such challenges are common for scientists studying an outlaw medicine, said Dr. Igor Grant, who directs the oldest marijuana research center in the U.S. at the University of California, San Diego.

There, scientists are studying marijuana chemicals for children with autism and adults with a brain disorder that causes uncontrollable shaking. Established by state law in 2000, the Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research once relied solely on California for funding. The center now has support from private foundations, a sign of growing public acceptance of the research.

TRACKING PATIENTS

Minnesota medical marijuana patients must regularly fill out surveys about their symptoms and side effects. That allows researchers to study how people with cancer react to marijuana.

In one study, a third of cancer patients made only one purchase and didn't come back during a four-month period. They may have died, or decided marijuana was too expensive or didn't work. Of the rest, most reported improvements in vomiting, pain, disturbed sleep, anxiety and depression with few side effects.

Marijuana can ease many symptoms "all at one time," but more study is needed, said study co-author Dr. Dylan Zylla of the health care system HealthPartners. He has no financial ties to cannabis companies. Zylla is studying whether cancer patients can decrease their prescription opioid use while using marijuana.

Marijuana "does seem to help patients," he said, "but so much is unknown about the risks, side effects and drug interactions." □

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Spencer lends some humanity to campy revenge fantasy

By JOCELYN NOVECK

Associated Press

Teenage brains. Alcohol. Driver's licenses. Put them together and what you get, inevitably, are a whole bunch of bad decisions — in real life and in movies. It's not a new lesson, but it's the most coherent one in "Ma," a middling high school horror revenge fantasy (if that's a thing) starring Octavia Spencer. Oh, here's the other: That Spen-

cer humanizes and improves pretty much every movie she's in.

The Oscar-winning actress is the only reason to see "Ma," and she's clearly having a grand old campy time playing Sue Ann, an unstable middle-aged woman who clearly hasn't, um, graduated from decades of resentment toward the cool-kid bullies who mistreated her in high school. To be fair, she has a



This image released by Universal Pictures shows Octavia Spencer in a scene from "Ma."

Associated Press

right to be angry. Like, really angry.

Spencer is directed here by longtime friend Tate Taylor, who also helmed "The Help," for which she won her Oscar. When Taylor presented her with the idea of a horror film, he has said, Spencer noted that black characters tend to die in the first 15 minutes of most horror films. To which Taylor replied that not only would Sue Ann not die at the beginning, but she'd get to kill a lot of people, too. And so she does.

But we're getting ahead of ourselves. We begin as young Maggie (Diana Silvers) and her now-single mom Diana (Juliette Lewis) are moving back to Mom's

nondescript old hometown, U-Haul in tow. Maggie's the new kid in high school — never fun — and starting on a Friday, no less. It helps, though, that she looks like a supermodel and a young Nastassja Kinski (didn't we all, in high school?)

We try to ignore the rather obvious "Dead End" sign near their modest new home. Diana gets a waitress job at the local casino, and Maggie, after maybe four minutes of loneliness, makes friends with the cool kids. Doing so requires suspending her better judgment and getting in a van to go drink by the dirty rockpile outside town. (Fun times!) But first they need the alcohol. That's where

Sue Ann comes in.

The lady walking by the liquor store SEEMS cool. A vet's assistant by day, working for Dr. Brooks (Allison Janney, predictably hilarious, even when just asking Sue Ann to answer the phone), she seems to the kids to be a godsend. She apparently lives alone and has a great basement where she invites them to drink and party as they please. She has a few rules, though. The most important is they can NEVER (never, ever) go upstairs. That's Sue Ann's private space.

And so, nobody goes upstairs, everybody stays safe and they all live happily ever after.

KIDDING!!

These are teenagers, remember? They keep on partying even after Ma, kinda sorta joking, pulls a gun on one boy and forces him to strip. They keep coming back even when Ma reveals herself to be desperately needy, hungry for attention and clearly unbalanced.

Because hey, she has a basement! And booze! And she dances the Robot! "Now you know where the party is," she says. Yep, they nod. □

Court agrees to listen to Led Zeppelin in 'Stairway' appeal

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

"Stairway to Heaven" will get another hearing, this time to a packed house.

A panel of 11 judges from the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed Monday to hear Led Zeppelin's appeal in a copyright lawsuit alleging the group stole its 1971 rock epic from an obscure 1960s instrumental.

In a 2016 trial that included testimony from Led Zeppelin guitarist Jimmy Page and singer Robert Plant, a jury found that "Stairway to Heaven" did not significantly resemble the song "Taurus," written by the late Randy Wolfe and performed by his band Spirit.

But in September, a three-judge panel from the 9th



In this Oct. 9, 2012 file photo, Led Zeppelin guitarist Jimmy Page, left, and singer Robert Plant appear at a news conference ahead of the worldwide theatrical release of "Celebration Day," a concert film of their 2007 London O2 arena reunion show, in New York.

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Circuit ruled that the judge at the trial had failed to advise the jury properly, and ordered a new trial. The judges unanimously found that the trial judge was wrong to tell jurors that in-

dividual elements of a song such as its notes or scale may not qualify for copyright protection, because a combination of those elements may qualify if they are sufficiently original. □

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Race, power, drive: Elaine Welteroth shares all in new book

By **LEANNE ITALIE**
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — When she was about to graduate from college, Elaine Welteroth came up with a life plan: She'd hit the top of a magazine masthead, then move into TV, books, film and beyond.

She wasn't messing around. The 32-year-old is way ahead of schedule after making firsts at Teen Vogue, both as beauty-health director and top editor, and then checking off "book" on Tuesday with the release of her memoir, "More Than Enough."

"I think I've always been an ambitious person. I had this kind of blueprint in my mind of what success would look like," Welteroth told The Associated Press ahead of the book's debut. "The thing what I didn't predict was just how fast the magazine part would happen." In 2016, to fanfare, Welteroth was named editor in chief of Teen Vogue, making her the youngest and only the second person of African American heritage in Condé Nast's 107-year history to hold such a title. But she was only getting started, transforming the dusty property into an engaging platform for activism, inclusion, politics and social justice, and earn-



Elaine Welteroth poses for a portrait on Wednesday, June 5, 2019, in New York City.

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ing rock star status among young fans as she helped steer Teen Vogue into the digital age.

She developed the Teen Vogue Summit, bringing together young change-makers to soak up the words of elders Hillary Clinton and Maxine Waters, along with peer idols Yara Shahidi, Rowan Blanchard and others.

"We were able to help change the way many adults think about young

people, who for too long have been underestimated and thought of as the selfie generation," Welteroth said. "They are much more concerned about the issues impacting our world and how they can change them than we've ever given them credit for."

The first summit played out amid hard times for the magazine industry. Teen Vogue's print edition folded in late 2017 and Welteroth resigned soon after.

Her frank retelling of those days includes some dark moments of ill health and personal frustrations for the self-avowed perfectionist and workaholic.

"Burnout is real," said the small-town Northern California native, looking back on her wider-eyed era after 11 years in the media business. That includes a stop at Ebony magazine.

Still struggling with workaholic tendencies, Welteroth remains committed to tell-

ing stories of the under-represented, just as she was at Teen Vogue. Only now, she's doing it not as the youngest or the first, but with friends and acquaintances named Ava (Duvernay), Shonda (Rhymes) and Lena (Waithe), having already earned a farewell hug and blessings from the person who took her career next level when she invited her into the "Condé Castle," Anna Wintour.

"I have this arsenal of powerful, creative black women who are excelling in their careers, and it's amazing to be alive right now. There's never been a better time to be an empowered woman," Welteroth said.

Duvernay wrote the foreword to the book, published by Viking, concluding that Welteroth's story, at least thus far, points to the value of "knowing that the bad is our choice and the good is our choice. And to work to choose the good. Every day. In every way." Welteroth, also a judge on Bravo's rejuvenated "Project Runway," hopes to lift others as she was lifted by her mentors of color. Only now, she's not struggling to make it to the table, and she's not the first at the table. She's building her own table as a free agent. □

X Ambassadors return right where they left off

By **MARK KENNEDY**
Associated Press

X Ambassadors, "Orion" (Interscope/KIDinaKORNER) You really have to hand it to alt-rockers X Ambassadors: They're not very pushy. This was the year they were supposed to shine but they've ended up helping others first.

In 2019 alone they've contributed and produced tracks for Lizzo's breakthrough album "Cuz I Love You" and lead singer Sam Harris co-wrote several songs for "For the Throne," the album inspired by "Game of Thrones."

Maybe those were appetizers, getting our stomachs ready. Now the main course has arrived with



In this May 23, 2016 file photo, Adam Levin, Casey Harris and Sam Harris of X Ambassadors attend the world premiere of "Me Before You" at AMC Loews Lincoln Square in New York.

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"Orion," the follow-up to their impressive 2015 debut "VHS," with the beautiful songs "Unsteady" and "Renegades." And it's clear they really haven't

missed a step.

From the infectious rockers "Hey Child" and "Boom" to the acoustic-and-strings heart-tugger "History," the new album bristles with

interesting songs and textures. Rising star K.Flay's voice blends nicely with Harris' on "Confidence" while "Wasteland" has a sort of U2-ish vibe. Lyrics that deal with economic insecurity fuel the super mid-tempo "Quicksand" and "Rule" is a little needy smoky piano ditty.

Producer Ricky Reed, who also worked on Lizzo's album, has come in to help oversee the band's sound and he's cut away at some of the band's tendency to clutter, providing guitar and bass work, too. "Orion" is a quieter album than its predecessor but allows Harris' voice and the songwriting to shine.

The album continues with

the band's tendency for confessional lyrics, especially on "I Don't Know How to Pray," which has Harris on his knees in a bathroom fumbling a plea to heaven. That song fragment ends with a taped snippet of him spontaneously chatting with his brother, Casey, the band's keyboardist. It's hard to get more intimate than this.

After a strong first half, "Orion" drops off somewhat, with "Shadow" and "Recover" merely treading water. The band pulls it together in time to deliver a final blistering tune, "Hold You Down," an earworm of synth handclaps, quiet sections, explosive crests and electronic shards. □

Tony highlights: A historic win and a strong night for women

By JOCELYN NOVECK

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — When effervescent actress Ali Stroker came onstage to accept her historic trophy as the first actor in a wheelchair to win a Tony, it wasn't just the feel-good moment of the night. It may have been one of the most joyous Tony moments in years. The crowd jumped to its feet in unison as Stroker, who won best featured actress in a musical for a sexy, saucy performance as Ado Annie in "Oklahoma!" arrived onstage.

"This award is for every kid who is watching tonight who has a disability, who has a limitation or a challenge, who has been waiting to see themselves represented in this arena," she said. "You are."

The buoyant moment was emblematic of a feel-good evening at the Tonys that featured crowd-pleasing performances, a Broadway-loving host in the form of James Corden and a theme of inclusivity. The big winner: "Hadestown," the soulful musical by Anais Mitchell based on an ancient Greek myth, which triumphed over much more traditionally commercial fare.

The victory of "Hadestown" was also notable for the number of women it brought to the podium; it was not only written by a woman but also directed by one, and producer Mara Isaacs accepted the award. Director Rachel Chavkin won her own Tony, as did Mitchell for best score. In all, "Hadestown" won eight Tonys.

But despite a great night for a show that began its long, improbable journey to Broadway as a community theater project in rural Vermont, Chavkin echoed a note of frustration about the persistent lack of diversity on creative teams.

"I wish I wasn't the only woman directing a musical on Broadway this season," she said. "There are so many women who are ready to go. There are so many artists of color who are ready to go. ... This is not



Ali Stroker accepts the award for best performance by an actress in a featured role in a musical for "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Oklahoma!" at the 73rd annual Tony Awards at Radio City Music Hall on Sunday, June 9, 2019, in New York.

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a pipeline issue. It is a failure of imagination by a field whose job is to imagine the way the world could be."

The acting awards brought a slew of satisfying victories for beloved veterans. Comic legend Elaine May, 87, won her first Tony for playing an Alzheimer's-afflicted grandmother in Kenneth Lonergan's "The Waverly Gallery," charming the crowd with a witty acceptance speech.

And Broadway favorites Santino Fontana and Stephanie J. Block took the top musical acting prizes. Fontana won his first Tony as the cross-dressing lead in "Tootsie," an adaptation of the 1982 Dustin Hoffman comedy about a struggling actor who impersonates a woman to get cast in a show.

The actor paid tribute to his late grandmother, a "fiery, red-headed woman" who, he revealed, was an inspiration for his performance: "Every day I get to bring her into the room, and it has been the best experience of my life."

Block earned her own first Tony for playing a real-life legend — Cher. In an ebullient speech, she told her young daughter: "Mommy won a trophy but like I always tell you, it's not about winning; it's about showing up, doing your best, loving

all people and finding joy along the way."

Yet another veteran winning his first Tony — at 73 — was André De Shields, best featured actor in a musical for his silky smooth narrator in "Hadestown." He thanked his hometown of Baltimore and offered "three cardinal rules of my sustainability and longevity." "One, surround yourself with people whose eyes light up when they see you coming," he said. "Two, slowly is the fastest way to get to where you want to be. And three, the top of one mountain is the bottom of the next, so keep climbing."

Jez Butterworth's "The Ferryman," a sweeping Irish family drama, was crowned best play. Butterworth asked the crowd to give his partner, actress Laura Donnelly, a round of applause for giving birth to their two children while appearing in the drama. Her own family tragedy inspired him to write the play. And in one of the most poignant moments of the night, Sergio Trujillo won the choreography prize for "Ain't Too Proud — The Life and Times of the Temptations," thanking his Colombian family.

He said in his speech that he arrived in New York over three decades ago without

legal permission.

"I stand here as proof that the American dream is alive," he said.

Speaking later at the Plaza Hotel after-party, Trujillo was so moved that he was reduced to tears.

"I have to be able to use my success as a way to inspire and effect change," he said. "This is what happens," he said, pointing to the Tony in his hands, "when we get the love and support that we so richly deserve."

Bryan Cranston won his second Tony for best actor in a play as newscaster Howard Beale in the inventive stage adaptation of the 1976 film "Network."

"Finally, a straight old white man gets a break!" he joked, riffing on the evening's theme of inclusivity. He dedicated his award to real-life journalists: "The media is not the enemy of the people," he said, in what amounted to the evening's most obvious jab at the Trump administration.

Corden, in his second stint as host, scored audience points with his obvious affection for Broadway. Among his amusing bits was a tongue-in-cheek attempt to raise ratings by trying to provoke a Nicki Minaj-Cardi B-style beef between Broadway figures.

But his most successful bit may have been one the television audience never saw. During commercial breaks, Corden implored celebrities to sing karaoke. The huge hit was Billy Porter. After first protesting that he "wasn't here to work tonight," Porter, a former Tony winner for "Kinky Boots," belted his way through "Everything's Coming Up Roses" from "Gypsy," earning the crowd's adoration.

Best featured actress in a play went to Celia Keenan-Bolger for her role as Scout in "To Kill a Mockingbird," and Bertie Carvel won best featured actor in a play for "Ink," about Rupert Murdoch.

Legendary designer Bob Mackie won best costume design for a musical for "The Cher Show," getting laughs for saying "This is very encouraging for an 80-year-old."

The dark retelling of "Oklahoma!" beat the crowd-pleasing, dance-heavy revival of "Kiss Me, Kate" for best musical revival. "The Boys in the Band" won best play revival.

The awards cap a strong season for Broadway, with a reported record \$1.8 billion in sales, up 7.8% from last season. Attendance was 14.8 million — up 7.1% — and has risen steadily for decades. □

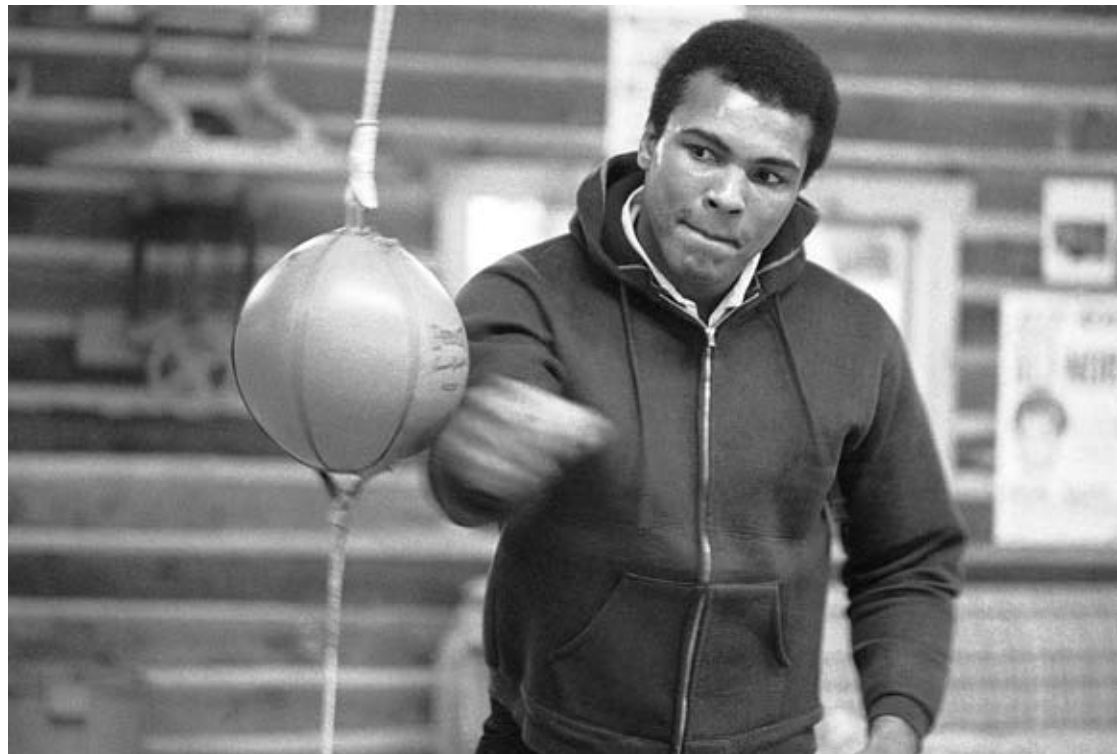
It's the greatest: Ali's training camp opens to public

By **MICHAEL RUBINKAM**
Associated Press

DEER LAKE, Pa. (AP) — The rustic Pennsylvania training camp where Muhammad Ali prepared for some of his most famous fights has undergone an elaborate restoration, opening to the public Saturday as a shrine to the heavyweight icon's life and career.

The famed Deer Lake camp was in disrepair when California real estate investor Mike Madden bought it shortly after Ali died in June 2016 at age 74. Madden, son of retired broadcaster and NFL Hall of Fame coach John Madden, said his aim was to save an important part of Ali's legacy. "It will always be a monument to the guy who created it," said Madden. "It's about preserving a piece of sports history, American history and probably world history."

Ali bought the wooded, out-of-the-way property about 90 miles (145 kilometers) from Philadelphia in 1972 and installed 18 primarily log buildings, including a gym, dining hall, small mosque, visitors' cabins and a horse barn. It was at Deer Lake where Ali prepared for his epic bouts against George Foreman and Joe Frazier, attracting crowds who watched him work. Ali once proclaimed he was "more at home with my log cabins than I am in my house in Cherry Hill,"



In this Jan. 10, 1974 file photo, Muhammad Ali punches a bag in his Deer Lake, Pa., training camp where he was preparing for his rematch with Joe Frazier.

New Jersey. He trained at the camp until his last fight in 1981.

"Ali loved it up there," said his longtime business manager, Gene Kilroy, an area native who brought Ali to Deer Lake. "He built it the way he wanted to build it, and he credited that camp with helping him win his biggest fights."

Ty Benner, whose father brought him to see Ali train every time he was at Deer Lake, returned Saturday for the first time in nearly 40 years, donating a T-shirt he got at the camp as a kid. "My dad was a big Ali fan," said Benner, 48, of Beaver Springs, which is about two

hours away. "I pretty much grew up here."

He said Madden had done an "amazing" job restoring it. Visiting from the Philadelphia area, Karen Hauck was also impressed.

"I love this," she said while her kids and their friend, 11-year-old Benny Quiles-Rosa, took turns at the heavy bag. Benny, an aspiring boxer, gave it quite a beating.

"I can't wait till I'm allowed to spar," he said. Seeing where Ali trained, he said, "is a really big deal for me." By the time Madden bought the camp, the exteriors of the log buildings were deteriorating and

needed extensive repair.

Inside, the gym has a new ring and sleek display of blown-up photos that show Ali living and working at the camp, slugging it out with opponents inside the ring and clowning around with other famous faces, such as The Beatles.

A video retrospective of Ali's career, narrated by Howard Cosell, plays on a flat screen, and some of Ali's famous quotes ("Float like a butterfly, sting like a bee") adorn the walls.

In an adjoining room, you can see where Ali kept track of his weight while training for a 1978 championship rematch with Leon Spinks. The actual notations are still there on the wall in pencil.

Madden, a lifelong fight fan like his father, was listening to sports talk radio

after Ali's death and said he became irritated by the misinformation he was hearing about his boyhood idol, whom he had met as a teen. It was the same when Madden turned to the internet — some of the stories about Ali's life got the details wrong, he said. He stifled an impulse to comment.

Then Madden read a piece that mentioned Deer Lake, Googled it and found out the camp was for sale.

"I literally had an 'Animal House' moment. I had an angel and a devil on my shoulders. Are you going to be the bitter guy who blogs anonymously when it comes to Ali? Every room you're in, 'They don't have the story right.' Are you going to be that guy?" Madden recalled thinking.

"Here's an opportunity to have a hand in maybe not writing history, but preserving some," he added. "I looked at it as a calling. This found me."

Madden paid \$520,000 for the property and spent at least \$650,000 on renovations.

Other buildings open to the public include the mosque, dining hall and Ali's sleeping quarters, complete with coal stove, hand-operated water pump and a video of Ali giving TV host Dick Cavett a tour of the same cabin 40 years ago.

The hilltop camp, dubbed "Fighter's Heaven," is open to the public on weekends. Admission is free, though visitors may donate to charities designated by the camp. It's also available for corporate retreats. □



Karen Hauck, right, and Benny Quiles-Rosa watch a video about Muhammad Ali's career in the gym at Fighter's Heaven, Ali's training camp in Deer Lake, Pa., Saturday, June 8, 2019.

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Ty Benner looks at a display in the gym at Fighter's Heaven, Muhammad Ali's training camp in Deer Lake, Pa., Saturday June 8, 2019.

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